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2nd Apl.	CALEDONIA	7558	.....	.....
9th "	PENINSULAR	5294	OCEANA	6610
16th "	EGYPT	7913	.....	.....
23rd "	ORIENTAL	5294	MONGOLIA	8500
30th "	ARABIA	7903	.....	.....
7th May	PENINSULAR	5294	CHINA	7912
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CECIL GRAY,
Secretary, W. I. T. C.

Bombay, 2nd March, 1904.

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J. B. JAMESON, Major, I. M. S.,
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Supe inte ident.

Superintendent's Office, 16th February, 1904.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

CEYLON PEARL FISHERY OF 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that a PEARL FISHERY will take place at MANNAR (KADDI, in the Island of Ceylon, on 11th March, 1904.

The banks to be fished are:—South-West Cheval Parr, estimated to contain thirteen million oysters; Mid-west Cheval, six-and-a-half million oysters, and North-west Cheval nine million oysters.

No. 70 divers will as usual be employed. Good drinking water obtainable.

The arrangements of the Fishery will be the same as last year. Persons attending the Fishery Camp from India should travel to Ceylon by either of the following routes:—(1) Tuticorin to Colombo, or (2) Paumban direct to Marichchikadi.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

In *Re* Messrs. WM. WATSON & Co.

Messrs. GRINDLAY GROOM & Co., BOMBAY
and
Messrs. GRINDLAY & Co., CALCUTTA,

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20	21 10	49 8	36 6	30 7	64 5	47 6	37 11	20
21	22 1	49 4	36 14	30 15	64 6	47 8	37 13	21
22	22 9	50 0	37 7	31 7	64 8	47 10	37 15	22
23	23 1	50 12	38 0	31 15	64 9	47 12	38 1	23
24	23 9	51 8	38 10	32 7	64 11	47 14	38 4	24
25	24 2	52 5	39 4	33 0	64 13	48 0	38 7	25
26	24 11	53 2	39 15	33 9	64 15	48 3	38 10	26
27	25 5	54 0	40 10	34 2	65 1	48 6	38 14	27
28	25 15	54 14	41 5	34 12	65 4	48 9	39 3	28
29	26 9	55 13	42 1	35 6	65 7	48 13	39 6	29
30	27 4	56 13	42 13	36 0	65 10	49 0	39 11	30
31	27 15	57 13	43 10	36 11	65 13	49 4	40 0	31
32	28 11	58 14	44 7	37 6	66 0	49 8	40 6	32
33	29 8	59 15	45 4	38 2	66 4	49 13	40 12	33
34	30 6	61 1	46 2	38 15	66 8	50 2	41 3	34
35	31 5	62 4	47 1	39 8	66 13	50 8	41 10	35
36	32 6	63 8	48 0	40 10	67 2	50 14	42 2	36
37	33 5	64 12	49 0	41 9	67 8	51 5	42 11	37
38	34 6	66 1	50 1	42 5	67 14	51 13	43 5	38
39	35 8	67 6	51 3	43 3	68 4	52 5	43 15	39
40	36 11	68 12	52 5	44 2	68 11	52 14	44 10	40
41	38 0	70 3	53 3	45 11	69 3	53 8	45 6	41
42	39 6	71 11	54 13	46 14	69 12	54 3	46 4	42
43	40 13	73 4	56 1	48 2	70 6	55 0	47 3	43
44	42 5	74 13	57 3	49 7	71 0	55 14	48 4	44
45	43 14	76 7	58 12	50 13	71 11	56 13	49 6	45

A PERSON OF 30 may secure Rs. 1,000 at Death by a yearly [illegible] Premium would generally elsewhere assure Rs. 800 only instead of Rs. 1,000, being about the same as most Offices require during the whole term of life.

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The HOUSE of COMMONS—AN IRISHMAN'S PROTEST.

TO ENGLISHMEN SCOTCHMEN, IRISHMEN, and OUR COLONIES

AN IRISHMAN'S ELOQUENT PROTEST.—Richard Lalor Shiel once startled the House of Commons and the country when the word "alien" was applied to him as an Irishman. "On the field of Waterloo," he exclaimed, "the blood of English, Scotchmen, and Irishmen flowed in the same stream and drenched the same sod—when the cold grey morning dawned they lay stiff and stark together; in the same trench their bodies were laid; the green corn of spring shrubs even now from their commingled dust; the dew falls from heaven upon their union in the grave. Partakers in every peril, are we not to be partakers in glory? Are we to be told we are aliens from that noble country for whose salvation our life blood was poured"? The effect of the speech both inside and outside the House was electrical.

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Manager

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JOHN STIVEN,
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Bombay Agency, Esplanade.

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SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL ... Yen 24,000,000
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ORDINARY RESERVE FUND ... " 9,210,000
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Y. MATSUO,
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THE COMMERCIAL BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—CALCUTTA
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Sub-Branches:—Murree—(April to October).
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CAPITAL PAID-UP, Rs. 31,90,450.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ARE AS UNDER:
STERLING DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS for terms not exceeding 6 per cent. per annum.
FIXED DEPOSITS—
2 Years 5½ per cent. per annum.
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Cheques, Bills, Hundies on Stations where the Bank has Branches and Currency Notes of any circle are collected and credited free of charge in the above interest Deposit Accounts.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS are opened for sums of Rs. 100 and upwards and receive 2 per cent. per annum, upon the daily balances, provided a minimum daily balance of Rs. 5 is maintained.

Apply for Rates to Head Office or Branches.

F. D. STRANACK,
Manager
Bombay, 18th July, 1903.

BANK OF CALCUTTA, LIMITED.

CAPITAL.

SUBSCRIBED ... ... Rs. 15,00,000
RESERVE FUND ... ... " 16,00,000
UNCALLED CAPITAL ... ... " 5,00,000

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" J. C. SPEIRS.

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Mr. D. KING.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened on the following terms :—

2 ½ per annum allowed on daily balances
or
2½ " " minimum monthly balances
at the option of the Depositors to be declared when opening accounts.

FIXED DEPOSITS received at the following rates of interest :—

	Per Annum.
For 2 Years	5 per cent.
" 1 Year	4½ "
" 6 Months	4 "
" 3 "	3½ "

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Calcutta, 25th January, 1904.
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HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid up Capital ...	$ 100,00,000
Sterling Reserve Fund ...	$ 100,00,000
Silver Reserve Fund ...	$ 65,00,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietors ...	$ 100,00,000

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

LONDON, MARCH 3.

The Bombay Mails of 20th ult. arrived at Brindisi yesterday.

SECURITIES—

2 1-2 per cent. Consols ...	£85 9-16 ex.	= — 1-8
3 do. Rentes ...	£95	= unchanged
3½ do. Indian Sterling Loan ...	£103	= do
3½ per cent. Indian Enfaced Rupee Paper ...	£81 3-4	= + 1-16

SILVER—

Spot in London ...	26 5-8	= — 1-16
2 months hence ...	26 1-4	= — 1-8
Spot in New York ...	57 3-4	= + 1-8

EXCHANGES—

Paris cheques ...	25·17	= + 1-2
Berlin ...	20·47	= unchanged
New York Demand ...	4·85 1-2	= do

DISCOUNTS—

Bank of England ...	4 per cent	= do
3 months' sight Bank Bills ...	3 1-8 per cent	= do
6 " " " ...	3 1-4 per cent	= do
3 " " Fine" Trade Bills ...	3 1-2 per cent	= do
6 months sight Fine Trade Bills ...	3 3-4 per cent	= do

INTEREST—

Day to day loans ...	2 1-2	= — 3-8
7 day market loans ...	2 3-4	= — 1-2

Amount paid into the Bank of England about £150,000

Extra Council Bills allotments Bills on Calcutta ... Rs. 30,000 } 1-4 3-32
Extra Council Bills allotments Bills on Madras ... Rs. 20,000 }

In Liverpool—Cotton Market closed firmer. Surats steady. Manchester Firm. Total sales 10,000. Spot 8·40 = plus 30 Egyptian F. G. F. Brown 9 3-8 = plus 3-16. Sold on speculation and for Export 1,000. Imports 4,000. Arrivals closed quiet.

Mar.-April	April-May	May-June.
8·15	8·15	8·15
+15	+16	+16
June-July	July-Aug.	Aug.-Sept.
8·13	8·11	7·84
2·15	+10	+16
Sept.-Oct.	Oct.-Nov.	
7·93	6·70	
+ 8	+ 9	

In New York—

Receipts at the Port ...	11,000
Do. last year ...	19,000
Exports to Great Britain ...	6,000
Do. do Continent ...	21,000
Mid-Uplands ...	10·25 plus 50
Futures, month of March ...	15·30 + 15
Do. do July ...	12·90 + 9

In New Orleans—

Spot ...	15 1-8 + 5-16
Futures, month of June ...	15·90 + 1
Do. do. Sept ...	13·34
Tone at close ...	easy.

METALS—

Copper Braziers ...	£33-10	— 5
Yellow metal ...	£3 1-8	
Bar Iron Belgian ...	£4-17-6	
Iron Corrugated Sheets ...	£10-5-0	
Basic Steel Bars ...	£11-12-6	

RAPESEED—
Brown 32 M.-J. Sellers firm = + 3d.
LINSEED—
Linseed Bold. 33 March. Done quiet = + 3d.
COFFEE—
Coffee in New York 6 11-16 — 1-8

Arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay, for the 24 hours ending at 6 p. m., on 3rd March 1904 :—

Cotton ...	11,020 bales.
Wheat ...	17,605 cwts.
Linseed ...	17,939 "
Rape, Rai and Mustard ...	5,595 "
Gingelly seed ...	8,041 "
Poppyseed ...	233 "
Groundnuts ...	2,714 "
Castorseed ...	1,457 "
Rice ...	14,098 "
Myrabolams ...	8,169 "
Cottonseed ...	8,092 "
Mowrseed ...	434 "
Gram ...	814 "
Joowar ...	9,230 "
Maize ...	1,817 "

BOMBAY, FRIDAY, MARCH 4.

In several up-country districts rain has fallen during the past few days. Up to the present time it is generally reported that very slight, if any, damage has been done to cotton, while the wheat crop will, of course benefit from the additional moisture in the ground. As to the seeds it is rather late in the season for them to derive any benefit from rain, but we do not hear that it has done them any harm, and unless further heavy showers are reported, it should not interfere with the harvesting of these crops.

With a continued heavy falling off in the receipts of cotton at the U. S. ports, prices of Americans have advanced considerably since our last mail report, but the reaction in our local market has been comparatively small, with the exception of Broach, the price of which has increased some Rs. 17. Arrivals of linseed are on a fair scale and business to a moderate extent is reported, but in other descriptions of seeds demand is slack and there is little doing. The inquiry for wheat export has fallen off, as buyers in Europe are apparently unwilling to follow the sharp advance which took place last week.

In imports the piece goods markets remain quiet, and with the renewed rise in the price of the raw material business seems further off than ever. The local yarn market continues steady with a good enquiry from China.

COTTON.

There has been a steady rise throughout the week in the home markets, and, as stated above, receipts at the U. S. ports are falling off considerably compared with last year. Those who are in favour of a small out-turn state that the very high prices current in January brought forward all the available cotton from the farms, and that there is little now left to come to market. The bears, on the contrary, argue that the high prices received by the planters for their crops, enable them to hold back their supplies, and that the recent decline in the market is the cause of the falling off in the receipts. It remains to be seen if the higher prices now current will cause any increase to the visible supply. Meanwhile prices have been advancing daily. Compared with last mail quotations the rise at New York for spot cotton is 2·15 cents. and the bulls have had it all their own way.

The daily quotations for spot middling cotton in Liverpool and New York are as follows :—

	Liverpool	New York.
February 26th ...	7·62	14·75
" 27th ...	7·80	15·10
" 29th ...	8·00	15·35
March 1st ...	8·10	15·60
" 2nd ...	8·10	15·75
" 3rd ...	8·40	16·25

In New Orleans the market for spot and futures has steadily increased, but as quotations for futures now given by Reuter include the new crops in September, comparisons with previous quotations are not so easily available.

In Bombay there has been little excitement shown by buyers and the advance in our prices has been small in comparison with that of Americans. Early in the week the purchases at Colaba were chiefly made against previous contracts, cancelled or invoiced back, and there was also a slight enquiry from Japan shippers. The market was closed on Wednesday for the Holi holiday. On re-opening there was a better demand from shippers and Local Mills, and a moderate turnover was reported. The enquiry chiefly exists for Broach M. G. fine, and good prices are paid for spot lots. The rain reported in the Kathiawar and Broach districts added to the anxiety to procure ready lots, and Mills were buyers of spot Dholleras descriptions. The sutta market is firm and good M.G. Broach for 25th instant has advanced fully Rs. 15 in the week.

COTTON STATISTICS.

	Bales.
Receipts for the week ...	62,016
Receipts from 1st Oct. to March 3rd ...	1,080,109
Shipments for the week to Europe ...	74,305
Do. China, Japan, and Coast Ports ...	4,183
Total ...	79,239
Shipments from 1st Oct. to March 3rd Europe ...	434,134
Japan ...	103,510
China ...	11,316
Coast Ports ...	5,403
Total ...	614,304
Afloat in Harbour for Europe ...	20,147
China, Japan, and Coast Ports ...	1,075

Official quotations of the Bombay Cotton Trade Association, Limited :—

	Fine	F.-G.	Gd.	Delivery
Bengal (H.-G.) (Ry. terms) ...	242	229	221	25 March.
Bengal (M.-G.) (Ry. terms) ...	243	231	...	do
Sind-Punjab (M.-G.)	243	231	...	do
mrawatee(descriptions)M.-G.	261	254	...	do
Khandeish (M.-G.)	270	262	...	do
Jalgaum do.	246	236	...	do
Khandwa do.	256	...	...	do
Khangaum fair staple (M-G)	264	257	...	do
Karanja do. do.				
Akola do. do.				
Dhamangaum Poolgaum (MG)	266	259	...	do
Nagpur Kamptee (M.-G.) ...	270	262	...	do
Broach (M.-G.)	311	300	290	do
Bhownugger (M. G ...	274	264	...	25 May
Do. M.G. ...	270	260	...	do
Mutia (M. G.)	253	244½	...	25 March.
Dharwar (S.-G	...	277	25	May.
Western	...	268	...	do.

LIVERPOOL OPENING TELEGRAM.

Tone easier,
Estimated sales ... 8,000 bales.
Imports ... 17,000 "

Mar-April.	April-May	May-June.
8·04	8·04	8·04
— 11	— 11	— 11
June-July.	July-Aug.	Aug-Sept
8·01	8·01	7·78
— 11	— 12	— 11
Sept-Oct	Oct-Nov.	Nov-Dec.
6·74	6·63	6·62
— 11	— 8	—

SEEDS AND WHEAT.

A fair business has been passing locally, chiefly in ready linseed, though the demand from Europe continues small.

LINSEED.—With fair arrivals in the market, rates declined to Rs. 5-7 but again steadied upto Rs. 5-11. A moderate amount of business was put through in ready, but no forward purchases are reported.

RAPESEED.—This article is almost neglected. The tendency has been quiet with prices again rather lower. We hear of nothing doing for forward delivery.

POPPYSEED.—There is not much demand, but with small stocks rates remain steady at Rs. 5-14. Forward contracts are reported at Rs. 5-14-8 to Rs. 5-15 for April May.

CASTORSEED.—Steady. Arrivals are small and quotations are unchanged at Rs. 21.

GINGELLYSEED.—Market is quiet with little enquiry from shippers. Rates are much the same as last week.

MAIZE.—There is little doing for export, and prices are steady at Rs. 17. Arrivals are small.

COTTON SEED.—Not much doing locally in this article as the bulk of the arrivals it already in the hands of shippers. We quote Rs. 15 to Rs. 15-8.

WHEAT.—There has been less demand during the week and it seems buyers are not inclined to follow the advance in prices reported last mail.

Week's arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay.—

Cotton ...	62,016 bales
Wheat ...	83,019 cwts.
Linseed ...	1,07,032 "
Rape, Rai and Mustard ...	23,987 "
Gingellyseed ...	59,381 "
Poppyseed ...	1,990 "
Groundnuts ...	7,480 "
Castorseed ...	6,510 "
Rice ...	74,507 "
Myrabolams ...	45,035 "
Cottonseed ...	59,849 "
Mowrasseed ...	927 "
Gram ...	8,423 "
Jowar ...	54,280 "
Maize ...	13,415 "

SEEDS—	Rs.	a.	p.
Linseed.—Tone steady.			
Ready	5	11	0
Rapeseed.—Tone quiet.			
Brown Cawnpore, Ready.	5	4	0
Yellow Cawnpore, Ready.	5	11	0
Yellow Gaseral, Foward.	5	4	0
Poppyseed.—Tone steady.			
Ready	5	14	0
Forward	5	15	0
Castorseed—Tone quiet.			
Ready	21		0
Gingellyseed.—Tone quiet but steady.			
Howren Khandeish ...	31	0	0
15 per cent. Mixed ...	30	8	0
25 per cent. " ...	30	0	0
50 per cent. " ...	28	0	0
Black Kutneo " ...	24	0	0
WHEAT.—Tone quiet			
Pissi 91 per cent.	Rs. 30-8		
Club No. 1 "	" 29-8		
Hard Red "	" 25		

FREIGHT.

This market has been quiet but steady since our last report. The enquiry for both ready and forwrd shipment is limited and only a moderate business is passing. For ready and March loading we quote 16s p p and 15s 6d Antwerp April to June 15s 3d picked ports. In liners there is nothing fresh to report rates remaining unchanged,

CHARTERS. The s s Romford has been fixed for ore March loading at 19s and the s s "Clematis" to load from Karachi at 16s 6d prompt loading.

The market closed quiet,

MONEY.

BANK RATE.

Bank of England since 3rd Sept.	4 per cent.
Bank of Bombay do 25th Feb.	6 do.
Bank of Bengal do 21st Jan.	7 do.
Bank of Madras do 22nd Jan.	7 do.

The following is the Weekly Statement of the Bank of Bombay for the week ending 27th February last as compared with that of the previous week :—

LIABILITIES.	Rs.	
Public Deposits	29,85,815	Increase.
Other Deposits	31,35,885	Decrease.
Sundries	19,919	Increase.
ASSERTS.		
Government Securities	1,39 992	Decrease.
Other Authorized Securities	Unchanged.	
Credits on Securities	1,79,8,2	Increase.
Loans, do.	10,99,451	Decrease.
Bills discounted & purchased ...	14,01,246	Decrease.
Balance with other Banks ...	1,52,975	Decrease.
Sundries	Unchanged.	
Cash	29,17,105	Increase

The above figures show an increase in the trade demand of 6·61 lakhs,

The Bank of Bengal weekly cash balance shows a decline of two lakhs and that of the Bank of Madras a rise of four lakhs. The Official Bank rate remains unchanged in the three Presidency Banks, viz at 7 percent per annum in Bengal and Madras, and 6 per cent per annum in Bombay.

The Local money market remains the same as last week. Supplies are ample for all demand, and with upwards of a crore of Council Bills afloat for Bombay, £610,000 of silver due by to-morrow's mail and the declining inquiry from Burma for funds to finance the rice crops, it is probable that we shall shortly see easier rates than those lately current. The quotation for call money is 2 percent and for short fixed deposits 1-2 per cent.

PAPER CURRENCY RESERVE.

The following are the latest returns as published in the "Gazette of India" for the 22nd February:—

	Rs.
Silver coin ...	9,38,59,987
Gold coin and bullion ...	15,56,07,209
Silver held in security ...	1,35,71,994
Gold in transit to England ...	73,00,000

Total of notes in circulation Rs. 37,05,41,140.

COUNCIL BILLS

The total amount of Council Bills sold during the week ending Tuesday evening was one crore and ninety thousand. At the weekly allotment on Wednesday the eighty lakhs put up for tender were taken up in Bills to the amount of Rs. 75,50,000 at 1-4 1-16 (and the balance of Rs 4,50,000 in telegraphic transfers at 1 4 3-32. The amount to be allotted next week has been reduced to sixty lakhs.

The mail of the 19th February brings £610,000 silver and £110,000 gold, and the following Council Bills :—

	Rs.
Calcutta ...	0,10,000
Bombay ...	15,50,000
Madras ...	8,20,000
	Rs. 55,80,000

The mail of the 26th February brings £110,000 silver and £900,000 gold, and the following Council Bills :—

	Rs.
Calcutta	40,40,000
Bombay	42,20,000
Madras	9,60,000
	Rs. 92,20,000,

The mail of the 4th March brings £130,000 silver and £90,000 gold, and the following Council Bills :—

	Rs.
Calcutta	27,10,000
Bombay	38,20,000
Madras	11,60,000
	Rs. 76,90,000

EXCHANGE.

We have to report a decline of about one-sixteenth both in selling and buying rates during the current week. On Monday morning the Banks opened at last mail's closing rates, viz. 1s. 4 3-32d. telegraphic transfers and 1s 4 1-8d. on demand. With a moderate inquiry from the bazaar sellers withdrew early in the day, but in the afternoon one bank came out as a seller and a moderate amount was placed. On Tuesday opening quotations were one thirty-second lower and remained so during the day. Wednesday was a Bank holiday. On Thursday when the result of the Council Bills allotment was known, the bazaar applied for Bank Demand at 1s 4 3-32d, and the general quotation was 1s 4d 1-16d soon after opening. To-day the market is steady at yesterday's rates.

We have not heard of much inquiry from houses during the week, but the demand from the bazar has been on a free scale. In Mercantile paper the week opened with Banks quoting 1s 4 11-32d for three months sight D A March delivery, but as the Banks' selling rate was reduced their buying rate also came down in proportion and at the close the quotation for ready and forward delivery is 1s 4 9-32d. A moderate amount of bills have been placed chiefly for early delivery, but we hear of little doing forward, as Banks are not willing buyers at anything below ready rates until the end of May. It is possible we may see some slight reaction later on in sterling exchange, but the top rates have disappeared for this season.

Exchange—Tone steady.

Bank T.T. ...	1s. 4 1-32d.
Bank Demand ...	1s. 4 1-16d
Credit Bills 3 Months Sight D. A.	1s. 4 9-32d.

Do	6	do	do	1s. 4 13-32d
French Francs	8	do	do	 171
Marks	8	do	do	 139
Hongkong	30	Days' Sight	.....	134
Shanghai	30	do	do	 190
Japan	30	do	do	..... Nominal.

GOVERNMENT PAPER.

This market has firmed up since last mail left. Some slight fluctuations were experienced, but the general tone has been firm. There is less anxiety shown with regard to the course of events in the Far East, and with the near approach of the publication of what is generally expected to be a prosperity budget, a higher range of prices is anticipated. The settlement passed off quietly on Thursday last. During the month which has elapsed since last settlement day, the lowest rate touched was Rs. 94·8 to which the market declined soon after the war broke out in the Far East But it quickly recovered as the the Japanese naval victories became known and has since advanced, with some set backs, until the price of Rs. 97·4 was reached on the 1st instart. A large business has taken place during the month, and on the settlement day the price ranged between Rs. 96-13 and 97-1. The usual budlees were made at a difference of about one anna, the quotation for the next settlement which comes off on the 30th instant, being one anna lower than for cash. At the close we quote :—

3 1-2 per cent cash ...	97-4
3 1-2 per cent 30th March ...	97-3
3 per cent cash ...	85-0

	Repayable.	Rate.
4 per cent Bombay Port Trust ...	1923	103
4 per cent " " ...	1930	103 12
4 per cent " " ...	1932	103 12
4 per cent Bombay Municipal ...	1926	102
4 per cent " " ...	1943	102 8
5 per cent " " ...	Taxes	115 10
5 per cent " " ...	Sanitary	114 15
4 per cent Bo. Improvmt Trust ...	1959	101 8
4 per cent " ...	1962	101 8

BULLION.

The silver market is quiet with a small business passing in the Banks. The up-country demand is moderate. In gold the market is steady with a good enquiry.

	Rs.	a.	p.
English Bar Gold ...	21	0	6
Australian Bar Gold ...	21	0	6
Bombay do ...	21	0	0
English Shield Sovereigns ...	15	3	3
Do. Dragons ...	15	0	0
Silver ex-duty Ready ...	68	2	0
Do. 1st settlement ...	67	10	0
Do. 2nd do. ...	67	11	0

PIECEGOODS.

In Greys the bazar has been steady during the week. Prices remain unchanged and demand from up-country has been on a fair scale. Some sales of goods previously bought by firms are reported to have been made, but the prices realized are very much below the level of Manchester quotations. Indent business is almost at a standstill. For Whites there has been a moderate demand and prices are steady. No business is possible owing to rise in cotton. Prints, Fancies and Dyedgoods are well enquired for and prices have a tendency to rise. Here, too, indent business is out of the question and although for some styles of which stocks are very low here, dealers are prepared to pay high prices, firms are unable to place any orders.

LOCAL YARNS.

The Yarn market is very firm with a fair demand from shippers at advancing rates, Shanghai reports large sales, as many as 9,000 bales for the week. The unsold stock is down to 42,000 bales. Hongkong reports the market steady with a fair off-take and the unsold stock is only 32,000 bales.

METALS.

Copper and Yellow metal continue quiet. The demand is very moderate and the Holi holidays have also interfered with business. Prices have a downward tendency. In iron there is no change to report, Spelter is quiet but steady and Pigiead and Quicksilver are dull.

COALS.

This market is steady. Sales are reported of Bengals. Deshergur at Rs. 12-4 ready, Chutritan April shipment at Rs. 11. Heilger's Standard March " April shipment at Rs. 11. Heilger's Anthracite, March April at Rs. 11-8 and for September this year to March next year at Rs. 11-4. In English Coal, small sales are reported of South Yorkshire ready at Rs. 15 and of Powell's Duffryn at Rs. 17. In Australian coal sales have been made at Rs. 12-8.

Charters. Two steamers have been paid Rs. 5-4. Calcutta to Bombay as against Rs. 5 paid last week.

SHARES.

The market is quiet. Bank of Bombay shares have changed hands at and about Rs. 1,275. Commercials are weak at Rs. 45. In Railway Companies Ahmedabad Prantej have changed hards at Rs. 482 1-2, Tapti Valleys at Rs.412 1-2, Ahmedabad Dholka at Rs. 97 X.D. In Press Companies Mofussils are unchanged at Rs. 490, New Berars are quiet at Rs. 515. Indian Cotton have changed hands at Rs. 160. In Miscellaneous list Alcocks have changed hands at Rs. 269, Badham Piles at Rs. 156, Bombay Burmas at Rs. 6,880 X.D and Quarter shares are steady at Rs. 1,820 cum divid. Kemps axe reported to have changed hands at Rs. 252. Treachers are weak at Rs. 530. Thackers have changed hands at Rs. 193, Bombay Telephones are unchanged at Rs. 25 1-2. In Mill companies Central's have changed hands at and about Rs. 1,575. Swadeshis are quiet at Rs. 835. Chinas are unchanged at Rs. 533. Currimbais are quiet at Rs 600. Colaba Land and Mill shares are steady at Rs. 377 1-2. Manekji Petits have declined to Rs. 1,875. Morarjis are steady at Rs. 1,675. Sholapurs are unchanged at Rs. 1,800, Kohinoors are quiet at Rs. 350. Sassoon Mill shares are unchanged at Rs. 720. The rest of the the companies are unchanged at previous quotations.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, MARCH 3

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed ... firmer
Surats ... steady
Good Bhowrungee ... firm
The Manchester Market has been ... firm
2-34 per cent Consols ... 85 9-16 ex
3 per cent Rentes ... 95
3 1-2 per cent Sterling Loan ... 103
3 1-2 per cent Rupee Papers ... 61 3-4
Bar Silver ... 26 5-8

The sum of about £150,000 has been paid into the Bank of England.

The Bank of England returns for the week ending yesterday show the following results :—Total Bullion £35,160,000 Decrease £100,000 ; Public Deposits £11,100,000, Decrease £3,000,000 ; Other Deposits £31,000,000, Increase £1,100,000 Government Securities £19,350,000, unchanged ; Other Securities £25,700,000, Decrease £300,000 ; Notes and Gold £35,500,000, Decrease £350,000. The Banks Reserve 49 per cent, of the Liabilities.

DIVINE SERVICES.

III SUNDAY IN LENT.

ST. THOMAS' CATHEDRAL.

6-30 a.m.—Holy Communion,
7-30 a.m.—Matins.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion—Choral Merbooke.
9 a.m.—Parade Service.
Hymns—242, 551 and 251.
5 p.m.—Children's Service.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon by Lord Bishop.
Hymns—201, 229 and 181.
Collections for—C. H. Schools (Morning) Bible Society (Evening.)
Daily Matins at 6-45 a.m. and Evensong at 5 p.m,
Daily Holy Communion at 7-15 a.m.
Wednesday—Confirmation at 6 p. m.
Friday—Evensong (Choral) at 6 p. m,

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, COLABA.
(Afghan Memorial Church.)

8 a.m.—Choral Celebration of the Holy Communion,
Hymn—313 and 324.
11 a.m.—Parade Service.
6 p.m.—Evensong, Choral and Sermon.
Hymns—269, 178 and 24.
Offertories—Morning for Church Expenses—Evening for the British and Foreign Bible Society.

CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN, PAREL.
(Madras Time.)

8 a.m.—Celebration of the Holy Eucharist.
8-30 a.m.—Matins and Sermon.
Hymns—92, 109 and 112.
5-30 p.m.—Sunday School
6-30 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.
Hymns—94 252 and 24.
Offertories for the Centenary Fund of the British and Foreign Bible Society.

CHRIST CHURCH, BYCULLA.

8 a.m.—Holy Communion—Choral,
Hymns—242, 243, 318, 184 and 195.
11 a.m.—Matins and Instruction.
4-45 p.m.—Sunday School.
6 p. m.—Evensong and Sermon, Preacher—Rev. T Davis.
Hymns—379 243 and 379.
Alms for the Bible Society.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, MALABAR HILL.

7-30 a.m.—Matins.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.
By desire of the Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Bombay the collections will be given to the British and Foreign Bible Society.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, MAZAGON.

6 a.m.—Holy Eucharist.
7 a.m.—Holy Eucharist (Choral)—Preacher Rev Father Bisom.
10 a.m.—Children's Service.
10-45 a.m.—Matins.
6 p.m.—Evensong (Choral). Preacher Rev Father Nicholson.
Alms for Church Expenses.

WESLEYAN CHURCH.

8 a.m.—Parade Service. Preacher—Rev C Ryder-Smith B. A.
6 p.m.—Evening Service. Preacher—Rev. C. Ryder-Smith B. A.
4-30 p.m.—Sunday School.
5-30 to 9-30 p.m.—Social Hour.
(Wesleyan Chugh, Victoria Gardens, Byculla.)
9-30 a.m.—Preacher.—Rev. Arthur J. Reunell.
6 p.m.—Preacher—Rev. Arthur J. Revnell.
4-30 p.m.—Sunday School.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH.

7-30 a.m.—Matins.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
Hymns—268, 221 and 289.
5 p. m.—Children's Service.
6 p.m.—

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THE Wilson Line steamer Morocco, 2,475 tons, Captain A Groves, will sail to-day for Hull via Karachi with a general cargo.

THE Clan Line steamer Clan Macintyre, 3,351 tons, Captain H G Fishenden, will sail to-day for Marseilles, with a general Cargo.

THE steamer Eton, 1,772 tons, Captain W A Tanave, arrived in harbour yesterday from Calcutta 19th February, with a cargo of coal.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Sofala, 3,434 tons, Captain G A Shepherd, arrived in the stream yesterday from Calcutta 5th February, via coast ports, with a general cargo and one deck passenger.

THE German East Africa Line steamer Sultan, 1,751 tons, Captain C Pens, arrived in harbour yesterday from Zanzibar 21st February, with a general cargo, 16 cabin and 247 deck passengers.

THE Naval Ordnance Tug and cargo boat Merlin, Captain C F S C Gibbons, R.N., arrived in harbour yesterday from Aden which port she left on the 24th instant.

STORM WARNING.

The following telegram has been received by the Port Officer, Bombay, from the Meteorological Department, Simla:—

"Storm signal. Lower Cautionary Signal Disturbance passed away."

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Do No 122		
Do No 103		
Juba	134 Wilson	East Africa Despatch steamer
Mermaid	Craig	Dredger

VESSELS IN THE HARBOUR.—MARCH 4.

Vessel.	Tons.	app.	Destination	Date.	Agents.
Deutschland	763	Nacoda			The Captain
Fazul Karim	636	Nacoda			G Muthwani
Pallitana	1934	Lumsden			M & Co
India	2991	Plummer			M & Co
Sanoa	3791	Ferguson			P & O Co
Tientsin	2553	Kenrick			P & O Co
Imani	2979	Peabody	Antwerp		K N & Co
Kniaz Gortschakow	2140	Aobrooch			Bombay Co
Dunrobin	2037	Taylor			W & A Graham
Kincraig	2339	Gibb			T Morrison & Co
Orwell	2145	Frame			M & Co
Ormidale	2969	Salveson			W & A G Co
Sapphire	1389	Tonkin			S-3 T M & Co
Nerbudda	1961	Stunt			M & Co
Peninsular	2914	Dubic	Aden	12-3	P & O Co
Pekin	2923	Goldsmith	Stream	2-3	P & O Co
Loodiana	2124	Hartley	Stream	2-3	N F M M & Co
Shirley	2198	Sabolich			Bombay Co
Nadir	964	McLennan			T M & Co
Langdale	2282	Kilby			W & A Graham & Co
Dogfield	639	Salveson			F F Campbell & Co
Eton	1722	Tausye			
Sofala	3435	Shepherd			M M & Co
Sultan	1751	Pens			A Strandes

VESSELS IN DOCKS.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Shed.	Vessel.	Tons.	Capt.	Destination	Date.	Agent.
B	Clan Macleachlan	3918	Sorg	Dunkirk	12-3	F M & Co
C	African Prince	3131	McFarlane	Hull	10-3	W & A G & Co
D	Clan Cameron	3255	Smith	Marmugoa	8-3	F M & Co
H	Corsica	1591	Falconer	Havre	2-3	J M & Co
G	Puri	287	Ahmed	N F	N F	Shpd & Co
M	Godavari	57	Jeejeebhoy	Stream	4-3	Shpd & Co
Q	Bancoora	3495	Gibbs	Adelaide	7-3	J M & Co
P	Aleppo	2337	Hayward	Hull	12-3	F M & Co
Q	Nuddea	1911	Scott	Durham	3-3	M & Co

ARRIVALS.

Mar.	Vessel.	Commander.	From
4	H M S Merlin	Gibbons	Aden, Feb 24.
	Sultan 8	Pens	Zanzibar, Feb 21
	Sofala 8	Shepherd	Calcutta, Feb 8.
	Eton 8	Tausye	Calcutta, Feb 19

DEPARTURES.

Mar.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
4	Mozagoa 8	Hall	London.
	Wharfedale 8	Alexander	Antwerp.

The following vessels obtained their port clearances yesterday:—

Steamer Morocco, Graves for Hull.
" Clan Macintyre Fishenden for Marseilles.
" Westminster Bridge, Cheviers for Moulmein.

The following vessels entered for loading yesterday:—

Steamer Dogfield for Bankok, &c.
" Malta for Galle, &c.
" Sultan for Zanzibar, &c.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

ADEN, MARCH 3.

The steamer Madana left here to-day Bombay mails of 20th ultimo arrived Brindisi on 2nd inst.

LONDON, MARCH 3.

The steamer Clan Chisholm arrived here this afternoon.

The P and O Company's steamer China, with the outward Mails of the 28th ultimo, left Suez at 6 p.m. on Thursday.

The Florio Rubattino Co's steamer Rubattino, from Bombay to Genoa, arrived at Naples on the 3rd instant, at 6 a.m.

The Austrian Lloyds steamer Austria from Trieste, arrived at Karachi on the afternoon of the 3rd instant.

The Austrian Lloyds steamer Franz Ferdinan t from Bombay, arrived at Colombo on the morning of the 4th instant.

BOMBAY LIGHT HORSE.

SQUADRON ORDERS, BY MAJOR T. W. CUFFE, COMMANDING BOMBAY LIGHT HORSE

Bombay, 4th March.

It is notified for information that the Annual Cup will be held at Santa Cruz from Tuesday the 8th to Saturday the 19th of March, and that the Annual Inspection of the Corps will take place on the afternoon of the latter date.

By Order,
F. A. REDDIE, Lieut.,
Ag. Adjutant, Bo. Lt. H.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY MAJOR T. A. SAVAGE, V. D., COMMANDING, B. V. R.

Bombay, 5th March.

1. Members who have completed their Class Firing are requested to return their Arms and Accoutrements to Head-Quarters.

2. The B B and C I Railway Volunteers Range at Santa Cruz will be at the disposal of "F" Company on Sunday the 6th March for Company Prize Firing. Train leaves Colaba at 6-10 a.m. (Bombay Time) Members will pay their own train fares.

3. It is notified for information that the Corps Rifle Meeting will take place at Ghat Cooper from the 21st to 26th March 1904, both days inclusive.

By Order,
P. H. ROGERS, Major,
Adjutant, B. V. R.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS, BY LIEUT-COL LOUIS P. RUSSELL, COMMANDING B. V. A.

Bombay, 5th March.

I. Detail:—Orderly Sergt. to-morrow Sergt W Murray.

II. Parades:—Morning 6.30 Practice from the 6 B L Guns Evening 5 p.m. practice on the 10 R W 6 8 R L and 3 Pr. Q F Guns and Inspection by the General Officer Commanding Bombay District.

III. The two Teams for the Wheal Cup Competition will fall in 4 p.m.

By Order,
A. STIFFE, Capt. R. A.,
Comdg. B. V. A.

HIGH COURT.—MARCH 5.

Before the Hon. Mr. Justice B. TYABJEE.

Summary Suit to be heard in Chambers.

107-0—Wadia G and Co.—Muncck Champsey and Co., vs Govindji Virana.

Suits for hearing and final disposal.

Admiralty Suit.

02—Crawford B and C—The Bombay Flour Mills Co Ld vs The owners of s s Arvak—Shitlam B and N.

Long Causes.

163—Tyabji D and Co—Damodar Umersey vs Bai Ambawidow and others—K B Mena—For Postponement.

164-03—Ardeshir H D and Co—Nowroji Jehangir Hormusji vs Pestonji Jehangir Hormusji—P K K K and P.

Before the Hon Mr. Justice CROWE.

Suits for Hearing and Final Disposal.

Long Causes.

241-03—Edgelow G and W, Mahomed Ali Khan bin Hajee Mahomed Wahedkhan vs Mirza Manomed Hajee Abdool Shiraz Craigie L and O.—Part heard not to be called on.

2468 03—Justice and R Vishwanath Moreshwar Anja and others vs Aiya Sahib Abdullah Miya Saheb Saraffali—Strettam J and N—Part heard.

17-03—Edgelow G and W Sodersias Cursondas Valadas vs Manekvahe widow and other Manekshaj J and H.

BOMBAY 11TH EXTRA MEETING.

SATURDAY 5TH MARCH.

TIME AND ORDER OF RUNNING.

1st Race—The First Little Strangers Consolation Plate 3-15 p.m.
2nd Race—The Second Little Strangers Consolation Plate 3-40 p.m.
3rd Race—The Sion Plate..... 4-10 p.m.
4th Race—The Lingfield Plate ..... 4-40 p.m.
5th Race—The Kensington Plate ..... 5-3 p.m.
6th Race—The Mahim Plate..... 5-30 p.m.
7th Race—The Arab Arabian Plate..... 5-55 p.m.

By kind permission of the Officer Commanding and the Officers 123rd Outram's Rifles their band will play during the afternoon.

A SPECIAL TRAIN LEAVES:—

	Local Time.
Colaba	2-35 p.m.
Church Gate	2-40 p.m.
Grant Road	2-46 p.m.
arrives at Mahaluxmi	2-50 p.m.

HORSES STRUCK OUT.

Bombay 11th Extra Meeting Saturday 5th March 1904.

The Kingfield Plate—Gnalio, Dumbell and Feriorasker.
The Mahim Plate—Seagull and precious.
The Sion Plate—Naranjoo, Tigris and Farewell.
The First Little Strangers Consolation Plate—Young Mosumma, Shirazand Akbar.
The Second Little Strangers Consolation Plate—Roomy.

Calcutta, Knaiau and Young Gazelle.

CECIL GRAY,
Secretary W. I. T. C.

Bombay, 4th March, 1904.

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RUSSIA AND JAPAN.

RUSSIAN cruisers and torpedo craft have been scouring the seas in the vain hope of discovering the Japanese Navy in the neighbourhood of Port Arthur. Having achieved all they need for the present in regard to the Russian Navy, Japan has been more profitably employed elsewhere. She has been carrying troops to ports on both east and west coasts of Korea and has brought them within striking distance of outposts in the Manchurian frontier. General Pdug reports having discovered Japanese infantry and cavalry at Pingyang which is being fortified and receiving re-inforcements daily by sea from Fusan by way of Chinnampo, a port 125 miles further north than Chemulpho on the west coast. Pinyang is a hundred miles north of Seoul and within a hundred miles of Antung which the Russians are fortifying with the view of preventing Japanese use of the Yalu river. From Pingyang they will march on Antung, and to the north-east of it, Songchin, in Plaksin Bay on the north-east coast of Korea, further north than Antung on the opposite coast, and thence the advance on Mao-our-chan will be made. In the event of success the advance on Harbin may be made, Plaksin Bay will become a base for naval operations against Vladivostok when the disappearance of the ice shall have rendered it possible to repeat there the programme which has been gone though so satisfactorily at Port Arthur. Russia might have saved herself the trouble of fortifying Antung, the Japanese having no necessity to use it; though doubtless when the time comes they will endeavour to outmanœuvre the Russians on the Yalu river on which supplies can now reach them from two sources independently of Antung,

ZANZIBAR.

THE account given of Zanzibar by the Austro-Hungarian Consul resident there offers many subjects of interest to the reader. No point that can assist the home merchant in catering for the taste of the Zanzibari is neglected, while an intelligent resume of the whole economic position is placed before him. We learn that in 1902—the year for which full figures are available—the increase in the number of vessels sailing from Europe to South Africa added considerably to the trade of Zanzibar, for all ships to and from the South of the continent must call there to take in coal and provisions. The demand for fruit and vegetables rose steadily, and the Indians who have settled there and devoted themselves to agriculture, had reason to be satisfied with their success. The prices they realised were three and four times higher than in Europe. Although the taste for preserved vegetables never abates, more is willingly paid for fresh ones for table. The Zanzibaris, 98 per cent. of whom live by agriculture, contented themselves with rearing cattle, this industry not obliging them to work hard. Under the head, cattle, however, we must understand goats only, these animals supplying all along the coast the favourite and very fragrant "roast mutton." As oxen on account of the prevalence of cattle-disease and the high duty paid on them, cost a large sum, and even when imported seldom do well in the great heat, traders do what they can with whatever the market offers and a brisk business has developed with the ships lying in the harbours. Fowl and eggs are in great demand. No fewer than half a million eggs were exported in one year. The Island of Zanzibar with Pemba is really an immense park, where, under the shade of century-old mango, palm, bread-fruit, orange and citron trees, cloves, bananas, sugar-cane, rice, pine-apples, vanilla, beans, maize, manioc, and every sort of vegetable thrive splendidly and these with fish form the chief food of the native population. Cloves are a good crop when the weather is favourable, but if the rains set in when they are gathered and there is no dry spot in which to spread them out—they depend on the sun for drying—the loss is heavy. The scarcity of hand labour is also against the clove being a paying crop, for unless gathered quickly they hang too long on the bush and become useless for the market, scarcely paying for the cost of picking. The cocoanut and areca palm flourish exceedingly and bring in a good return; German East Africa gets the highest price for copra as there special attention is paid to the drying process. The loss of weight in badly dried copra, by the time it reaches the market, is often as much as 30 per cent, and to this loss must be added the excess freight paid at the start. In German East Africa experiments on a large scale have been made with Sisal-hemp growing, and already two and a half million plants have come to maturity. The factory that works up the sisal turns out daily a ton and a half of clean yarn, which sells at a very good price. It may be assumed that the cultivation of this agave will be considerably extended and will play a large part in the development of German East Africa. Vanilla was planted in large areas, once the trials gave good results. Twenty-thousand plants are in bearing, and it is calculated that these will increase at the rate of 50 per cent yearly.

The pursuit of elephants for ivory was on so reckless a scale in 1902, that it was feared that the forest reserves would be denuded of that valuable commodity, unless the Colonial powers, interested in the question, came speedily to an agreement to protect elephants. It is calculated that in Africa alone, the largest ivory depot, 70,000 elephants are killed annually. Even such a continent as Africa could not long sustain this exhausting process especially when it is exercised on an animal which increases as slowly as the elephant. South of the Zumbesi the elephant is as good as extinct, and only very occasionally does ivory come from Cape Colony. The chief place whence it is now brought is Mozambique. The decrease in its production and the increasing demand for it has given a fillip to the manufacture of imitation ivory, especially of celluloid, which has practically superseded ivory in the manufacture of cheap articles. The vegetable ivory—so-called—is made from the nut of a palm-tree and is little used. But Rhinoceros tusks and horns play their part as ivory and are exported from Zanzibar in considerable numbers. America takes most ivory, Europe comes next and India third in order. England absorbs more than three-fifths of the European share. Of the export of rubber, which is yearly increasing in volume, Germany takes about 70 per cent, England 20 and France the rest. No other countries seem to want it. Nature is so generous in Zanzibar that it is sufficient to scratch the soil before sowing the seed, and then the people can and do wait patiently until the crop ripens, no native working ordinarily more than an hour a day. This is enough to procure him all he requires to sustain his easy existence. Immigrant Indians demonstrated to the natives the value of their own plough, a most primitive contrivance and one which has been in use in India for centuries, but the Zanzibaris have not yet been beguiled into using it. They are and will remain, a conservative race, working as much, or rather as little, according to the Austrian Consul, as they are obliged, and living happy and contented in that frame of mind. They will only adopt the use of farm implements or develop the capabilities of the soil on a large scale, when they see that agricultural produce will bring in money with which they can buy bright coloured stuffs, beads, drums, hurdy-gurdys, mouth organs and such like luxuries. As it is, Zanzibar has to import flour from Bombay, Trieste and Odessa to satisfy the needs of the Indian settlers and the Europeans who reside there. The natives themselves make bread out of manioc or rice flour. Although Hungarian flour is higher in price, it is cheaper to use it than even the cheapest Indian flour, writes this authority. But this fact requires to be demonstrated to the foreigner, and for this purpose it is suggested that one or more skilled bakers should be sent abroad, to the larger towns of Egypt, East Africa, Zanzibar, and especially to South Africa and India, to teach the native bakers, how bread is made and to convince them that about twice as much bread can be made of Hungarian flour as of other sorts, and in that way the difference in price is more than covered.

This report goes minutely into the details of the trade of Zanzibar and gives valuable hints to merchants dealing with that country, noting the taste of the people carefully, as for instance, with regard to the paper imported it is stated that coloured paper in varied and delicate shades is in great request, the ladies tear it in narrow strips—the luxury of scissors being still unknown to the weaker sex—twist these and use them to decorate their ears, in each of which for this purpose, four or five more or less large holes are pierced. Bead merchants are informed that imported glass beads fall into two groups, solid and hollow. Venice used to send the first sort, and Germany the latter. Hollow beads are falling out of favour gradually, because, as the natives are learning to work under European example and control, in order to earn the tax they must pay, they find that hollow beads get easily broken. The demand is consequently increasing for the solid sort, samples of which have been sent to Bohemia to enable that country to profit by the change of fashion and send the correct beads to decorate the men and animals of Zanzibar. Glass beads still do duty for money in the interior, and are imported to the value of about 91,500 rupees to Zanzibar alone, but even there the use of money is gaining ground steadily, ever since the decadence of the Sultanate and the acquisition of large districts by the different European Powers. One-anna copper coins are most in use the natives distrust silver somewhat, and throughout the greater part of Africa that is still not much known, a man might go hungry with a sackfull of gold. In other directions progress is marked. The dock at Dar-es-Salaam can accommodate fairly large ships and is so planned that it can be doubled in capacity when necessary. The connection of Mombassa with the Victoria Nyanza by railway has proved very successful, the expenses are kept down by using wood instead of coal and traffic with Kilimanjaro and other districts is fast increasing. Sea communication is chiefly in the hands of the German East African Company. This, the British India and the Messageries have formed a cartel which enables them to raise freights as they please at the cost of shippers to countries not included in the cartel. Thus on cargo to London, Hamburg and Marseilles favourable rates are charged while to Trieste the freight is exorbitantly heavy. Nevertheless business flourishes in Zanzibar.

SINGAPORE TRADE.

SINGAPORE trade, which was never at the best of times in a flourishing condition, is at very low water just now and from all accounts likely to be brought lower still in the near future. Singapore, as a matter of fact, never had any real trade of her own and depended, more or less, upon her transhipment-business. It is felt in commercial circles that when the ports in the Federated Malay States are improved for large steamers the trade of Singapore will sink into insignificance. It will not be for want of enterprise if such ports as Port Dickson, Port Swettenham, or Teluk Anson fail to attract an ever increasing amount of traffic at Singapore's expense. Already the two first-named have regular daily sailings to Singapore and Penang, and through-bills-of-lading can be obtained from London to Port Swettenham. So far as wharfage accommodation is concerned either Port Dickson or Port Swettenham will compare favourably with Singapore. Ships come right alongside the piers, and the railway lines lead down alongside the steamers. Of course steamers can go alongside the wharves at Singapore, but the wharves are in such a state that the local press is constantly using language that would be enough to shame even some of our home southern railway lines into mending their ways. Singapore is just now suffering from a bad system of long credits. The local German firms are credited with first beginning the system but we think it will be found that all the merchants in Singapore are addicted to the practice now. Not long ago a native dealer failed for a large sum, and one of the leading banks in the place, a British institution, instead of putting the man in the Bankruptcy Court, actually gave him fifty months in which to pay up. The usual term in Singapore is three months but very frequently such long periods as six and nine months' credit are given. In this respect, we may mention, Singapore is altogether different to Hongkong or Shanghai, where the bulk of the business is done on a cash-against documents basis.

THE FOURTH TEST MATCH.

A PIECE of news of considerable interest to cricket lovers is the telegram published in our yesterday morning's issue announcing that the Marylebone team had won the fourth test match at Sydney and with it the rubber. The recovery of the "ashes" will be received with great satisfaction by English cricketers who had almost begun to despair, particularly after the failure of MacLaren's team, that this would ever be compassed by their representatives. Although the Englishmen won the first two matches of the rubber they were so badly beaten in the third match that fears were expressed that they had been playing above their form and that defeat in the last two matches was by no means an unlikely contingency. These fears have, however, been dispelled by the victory of the Englishmen in the fourth match which was brought about by the magnificent batting of Knight and Hayward and some very fine bowling by Rhodes, Arnold and Rosanquet. The Englishmen were perhaps more fortunate in regard to weather conditions than the Australians who had to bat in both innings on a wicket completely ruined by rain. The Australians have fought pluckily and if they win the fifth match no one will begrudge them their victory.

THE HARBOUR FERRY SERVICE.

A CORRESPONDENT whose letter appears in another column complains of the inefficiency of the Harbour Ferry Service and asks for an improvement. The present contract has still upwards of two years to run and although means have been suggested and provided for its amendment, Government declines to interfere. If the contract is not fulfilled to the satisfaction of the public for whose benefit it was made, it should be terminated and if an improved service is possible, it should be secured. Government professes to be anxious to develop the other side of the harbour, but unfortunately it does little to bring about that development.

THE arrangements under which the mails between Calcutta and Bombay will be carried by the Bengal-Nagpur Railway, instead of the East Indian Railway, will come into effect in July.

STEPHENSON'S remark that if his locomotive happened to meet a cow it would be "bad for the cow" does not seem to apply to the rhinoceros. The "East Africa and Uganda Mail" of February 20th gives the following piece of news from Nairobi:—"Last Sunday as the Up-Mixed was at Mile 346-10 she was suddenly charged by a rhinoceros who dashed at the engine, and was caught under the iron foo plate which was twisted out of all shape. On gaining her feet she charged the 1st class carriage in which his Honour Judge Donald and other gentlemen were riding. The passengers at first thought it was an earthquake which ran through the whole train. After oscillating from carriage to carriage and finally charging, as only a rhino would, the moment the train halted she took to her heels seemingly uninjured, the train thus gaining a bloodless victory." The natural comment from the point of view of the "rhino" is that a thick hide has its advantages.

WE noticed some time ago the success that had been attained by the joint settlement of tribal disputes on the Indo-Afghan Frontier, and some further details of the proceedings may now be given. Mr. J. S. Donald, C.I.E., Deputy Commissioner, was the British representative, while the Amir was represented by Sirdar Gul Mahomed. The party met at the Peiwar Kotal and worked south-westwards, reaching the Teochi Valley via Idak, and thence journeying through Shawal to Wano, hearing and settling points in dispute and repairing boundary-pillars along that portion of the Durand line. The relations maintained were most amicable and nothing in the way even of threatened tribal hostility occurred during the two and-a-half months that the Commission lasted. Mr. Donald took only a small escort from the Northern Waziristan Militia as a camp and baggage guard. It is remarkable as showing how peaceful is the frontier from Kurram to Wano that districts were visited which a few years ago could not have been entered by British officers unless they had a brigade to protect them.

POPE PIUS X. has sent his special blessing to two Roman Catholic pilgrimages which will shortly leave England, the one to Rome for the centenary celebrations of St. Gregory the Great (the Pope who sent St. Augustine to England in A.D. 596) and the other, consisting of nearly 200 pilgrims, to Palestine. There will be several scientific reunions in Rome, in connection with the celebrations of the centenary of St. Gregory the Great, April 6 to 13, and the Pope will sing High Mass in St. Peter's on April 11. The Holy Land pilgrims will leave London on April 12. Both pilgrimages are being organised by the Catholic Association.

GIFTS were solicited for a rummage sale by an optimistic clergyman in Minneapolis, and among the bundles and the parcels that arrived in showers, came a long-faced, lean-flanked cow of years that no man could number. Everything sold bravely at the sale, except the cow; and the clergyman was just going home with a full pocket, when he was reminded by a stall-keeper that the cow wanted its tea. That was the beginning of the trouble. Ever since then the proceeds have been slowly dribbling away to keep the cow in fodder. The clergyman is appealing to the milk of human kindness to rescue him from the cow before he goes raving mad.

LORD DALMENY who has opened his candidature in the Liberal interest for Midlothian by addressing his first public meeting of electors, promises to follow in his father's oratorical ways. He has apparently inherited Lord Rosebery's penchant for anecdotes, and his happy gift of homely illustration. Discussing the assertion that our trade had fallen off, Lord Dalmeny admitted that it was not at its best at present, and greatly amused his audience by reminding them—apropos of this fact of the story of the lady who was very old and very fat, and weighed about 30 stone. When a friend asked her whether she was quite well, she replied, How can I be also other well when there is so much of me to be kept well?

THE Marquis of Tullibardine, who with the Marquis of Breadalbane, will be one of the leading figures at the forthcoming Gaelic Mod at Greenock this year, is one of the few members of old Highland families who still retain the Gaelic. He does not lay any claim to fluency in the language, although Gaelic was his first language and as a child he was compelled to speak it in the family circle. But his English schooling and his subsequent soldiering in Egypt and South Africa have knocked much of the native language out of him, though it has not quenched his Celtic spirit. He can get along quite well with a Gaelic ghillie, and now that he is at home, and is establishing the Scottish Horse, a body which is to be composed of men accustomed to the hills, he has promised to recapture his old ability in the ancient tongue.

WE observe from the announcement in the "Deaths," in the "Times," says the "Globe" that Mr. Chanton has died suddenly at Rangoon. He was perhaps the most remarkable native student who was ever called to the English Bar, for he hurried off during his studentship days every prize and scholarship for which it was possible for him to compete, and established a record in examination successes which is, and is likely to remain, unique. So great was the impression he made upon the authorities that when he was called to the Bar, Lord James of Hereford, then Treasurer of the Middle Temple, presented him with a special diploma, a thing hardly ever, if ever, done before. Yet, when he returned to Burmah to practise at the Bar at Rangoon he, like so many other Orientals of the same type, showed no extraordinary aptitude, and won no particular distinction. His career is typical, and deserves the careful attention of those who have the ordering of examinations.

THE accounts of Master Danowski, who at the mature age of eight has been conducting a full orchestra at Bournemouth in a military march of his own composition, casually remarking afterwards that he had written it several years ago, "when he was quite young" suggest a question which is worthy of more attention than it has received. Why are genuine musical prodigies comparatively common, whereas in other branches of art they are practically non-existent? We say "genuine," because it is undoubtedly the case that, while of course not every precocious musician is heard of in maturer life, nearly every great musician has in his time been a prodigy. One need only instance Mozart, Schubert, Haydn, Chopin, and among executants of to-day, Joachim and Norman-Neruda, to realise that this is so. Have psychologists explained why the genius of music should, and does, awake in the soul years before that of painting and the allied arts?

THE interesting announcement is made that Mr. Edmund Gosse has been appointed by the Clerk of the Parliaments to the office of Librarian of the House of Lords, vacant by the premature decease recently of Mr. Strong, a brother of the present Dean of Christ Church. The Library of the Peers is housed in one of the handsomest and most beautifully situated suites of apartments in the Palace of Westminster. It is on the main floor of the building overlooking the river, and in line with the Commons dining rooms and library. Including legal and historic works, records and memoirs, and accounts and papers, the collection numbers some fifty thousand volumes, and comprises the private collection of law books made by that eminent lawyer the first Lord Truro. In one room or another are busts of Queen Victoria (by Noble), Lord Brougham, and the late Earl of Derby (by Brock); and the rare historic objects to be found there include the death-warrant of Charles I., and the "annexed" Book of Common Prayer.

BOOKS AND PICTURES.

PHOEBE IN FETTERS by Mrs. Baillie Cochrane (John Murray) is a well-thought out story, the interest of which follows the whims and fancies of a young wife. Phoebe's husband is a man with any amount of sentiment and with the highest idea of what married life should be. He has rescued the girl he marries from poverty and a hard struggle in life, and he placed her triumphantly on a pedestal both in his heart and among his friends. She is a being who has never been stirred to her deepest depths and who accepts all the pleasant things she gets as a matter of course. She makes an easy conquest of the society she enters on her marriage, and her husband, whom she likes but never stops to ask herself if she loves, takes quite a second place in her scheme of existence. It is all enjoyment through the livelong day days and there is no special reason why it should not be so. But her husband feels that she is slipping from him. She does as she sees the other smart people round her do, and never troubles until George objects. Then the spirit of rebellion raises its head in Phoebe and she leads herself and her husband a very uncomfortable dance through the next few months. He imagines he controls his pained feelings and adopts a stern and cold, though perfectly considerate, demeanour to his flippant wife, who drifts on apparently indifferent to his manifest disapproval. The scheme of the story is the winning back of Phoebe to the

COMING FIGHT ON THE YALU.

JAPANESE OCCUPY PING-YANG.

RUSSIANS DEFENDING ANTUNG

PORT ARTHUR INVESTMENT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, MARCH 4.

A telegram from St. Petersburg states that fresh orders have been sent to Admiral Wirennius's squadron to remain in the Red Sea and watch for warships and capture ships carrying contraband.

The Egyptian Government decided on the 12th ultimo that belligerents should not be allowed to escort prizes through the Suez Canal.

It is presumed that this contributed to the release of the colliers seized in the Gulf of Suez.

The torpedoers which left Port Said for Algiers and returned have been ordered to leave again and to be refused any further coal.

Another torpedoer passing the Suez Canal has collided with and sunk an Egyptian Revenue Cutter and it is expected the Canal will be blocked for twenty four hours.

The Egyptian Government protests against the Russians repeatedly overstaying their time limits.

Viscount Aoki proceeds to Korea on an important mission in connection with reform in the internal administration.

LONDON, MARCH 3.

The Russian General Pflug reports on the 2nd instant, that 6,000 Japanese with 200 cavalry occupied Pingyang which is fortified and being daily reinforced by troops brought by sea from Fusan to Chinampo. The despatch adds that 2,500 Japanese, without artillery, have landed at Songchin in Plaksin Bay and are marching on Mao-ou-chan in Southern Manchuria and on Port Arthur.

Reuter wires from Seoul that the Russians are hastily constructing a fortress and extensive earthworks at Antung to obstruct the passage of the Yalu River by the Japanese.

At-tung where the Russians are constructing a fortress and earth works is the commercial centre on the Manchurian shore of the Yalu River and lies about fifteen miles above Yong-an-po on the opposite bank. An-tung or Sha-ho, as it is more correctly described, is of quite recent construction, the site of the present town until lately being occupied by millet fields. Under the care of native merchants a prosperous port has been established, the business houses being unusually flourishing. The anchorage is thronged with junks, the port possessing facilities for steamers, which makes it superior to Ta-tung-kau or Yong-an-po, and at once the real business centre on the river. Striking away from An-tung is the Peking Great Road, which runs to Liao-yang, while just above the port the stream divides, the eastern branch being the Yalu. At this point the river becomes shallow and quite unnavigable, except for small native craft and the timber rafts. The river is, however, very picturesque in its setting and in the many divisions into which it passes. Each branch winds its way past is and sandbanks skirting at times the very mountain slopes, until the little streams unite in the broader water beyond Wi-ju, the possible terminus of the Korean Northern Railway. Wi-ju is ten miles to the east of An-tung, but four miles below this latter port, at a point a little west of Mao-kewi-shan, there is to be the terminus of the branch of the Manchurian Railway which is to strike the Yalu. Some day, perhaps, this line will be linked with the railway system of Korea, but the Russians have already begun the construction of their line, while the extension of the line to Wiju from Pyong-yang is only in contemplation by the Korean Government. The construction of the branch line from Liao-yang to the Yalu will be completed rapidly. The first eighty miles offer little obstruction, but for the interference of war with the work, it could have been finished within the current year. It was designed that the Manchurian Railway should reach the estuary of the Yalu, and with An-tung and Yang-an-po completed, Russia would have been able to exert at that point an influence corresponding to that by which she regulates Niu-chwang.

RUSSIA'S LESSON FOR ENGLAND.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, MARCH 4.

A special cable from the "Pioneer's" correspondent, dated London, the 3rd March says that naval experts estimate that Port Arthur is no less than four months' journey for the Baltic fleet.

In the House of Commons the unfortunate position of the Russian fleet due to lack of repairing facilities and of defences against torpedo attack has been utilised to justify the large expenditure on naval works.

A Colombo telegram dated March 3rd states:—The Japanese cruisers Saitmen and Heyen captured the Volunteer transport Ekaterinoslav near Fusan, off the southern coast of Korea.

Several whalers and steamers belonging to the Chinese Eastern Railway Company were also seized by the Japanese cruisers as adjuncts to the Trans-Siberian Railway.

Russian cruisers in the Mediterranean will prevent the Japanese steamer Kanagapa Maru leaving Malta.

Russia has chartered the German steamers Hamburg and Carl Menzel, to convey guns, arms and ammunition for Vladivostock. The French cruiser Assai and the destroyers Pistolet and Javeline and several submarines, with a quantity of melinite shells, are about to leave Brest for Saigon.

After leaving Singapore, the Kasuga and Nisshin, at an appointed rendezvous in the Dutch Archipelago picked up fighting crews, numbering twelve hundred. They are now searching for Russian volunteer cruisers in the China Sea.

The Japanese have captured the German steamer named Yokohama. Its cargo includes dynamite intended for Port Arthur.

They have also captured six Norwegian vessels chartered by the Russian Naval contractor.

The alleged seizure of the Liverpool collier Oriel in the Red Sea by Russians is untrue. The vessel, which arrived here yesterday. The Captain says there was the slightest attempt made, although six Russian warships were within sight.

REPORTED DISASTER ON LAKE BAIKAL.

A telegram to the "Straits Echo" dated London (Tuesday 19th states:—

The Austrian newspaper "Narodni Listy," published at Prague, hears that a great disaster has occurred on Lake Baikal, the rails laid over it crashing through the ice with a heavily loaded train drowning a large number of troops.

THE RUSSIAN FORCES.

DISTRIBUTION IN MANCHURIA.

PREPARATIONS ON THE RAILWAY.

A St. Petersburg despatch to the "Manila Cable news" of January 27th states:—

All the first line of the Russian army has been ordered to join the colours, and the reservists are already forming in battalions and squadrons, according to their arm of the service. In the military district of St. Petersburg alone eighty-six thousand men have been mobilised already and are now awaiting transportation for the Far East.

All railroad property is in the hands of the War Minister and a clear track for troops trains has been telegraphed for between this capital and Moscow Trains are being made up in sections, railway troops working night and day repairing engines and putting freight coaches in shape for the occupancy of troops and generally making extraordinary preparations for the long trans-Siberian run.

Especial vigilance is being exercised to prevent possible Nihilist treachery. Great care has been used in selecting the men of the railway service, particularly the flagment and switchmen. Officers of proven loyalty have been detailed from the line to, assist in the work, and spies of the War Office, disguised as soldiers, mechanics, and even as army officers, are carefully scrutinising the conduct of both officers and men. The local militia is utilised to guard the railway depots and machine shops, and no one is allowed near the railroad but those actually under orders to assist in the works

The following says the North China Herald of February 12th is the latest information regarding the distribution of Russian troops in Manchuria:—

At Port Arthur, 20,350 men, consisting of Infantry Third Brigade, 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th regiments East Siberian Sharpshooters comprising 2,000 men in each regiment Seventh Brigade (one half or 25th and 26th regiments, East Siberian Sharpshooters, 2,000 men each. The other half of the Brigade being the 26th regiment at Haicheng and the 28th regiment of the same Corps (East Siberian Sharpshooter at Liaoyang. Note:—All of the third Brigade except the 11th regiment, have since proceeded to the coast of the Liaotung peninsula and the Yalu. Cavalry one company Baikal Cossacks 150 men.—Artillery—two Companies East Siberian Battalion 600 men one regiment Port Arthur garrison artillery, 2,400 men Pioneer:—two battalions East Siberian Pioneer Regiment, 1,000 men. Torpedo Corps:—one Company Torpedo Corps 200 men.

At Dalny, 2,000 men, consisting of the 14th Regiment East Siberian Sharp shooters.

At Talienwan, 4,400 men. Infantry; 13th Regiment East Siberian Sharpshooters, 2,000 men; four Companies 15th Regiment, ditto, 1,000 men Cavalry: four Companies Baikal Cossacks, 600 men. Artillery one Co., East Siberian Battalion, 300 men, and one Co., Field Artillery Transbaikal regiment, 300 men, Torpedo Corps: one Co. Torpedo Corps 200 men

At Pitzewo, 400 men, composed of one Co., 12th Regiment East Siberian Sharpshooters, 250 men and one Co., Baikal Cossacks, 150 men

At Antung, 550 men, consisting of one Co., 15th Regiment E. S. Sharpshooters, 250 men; one Co., Baikal Cossacks, 150 men, and half Co., E. Siberian artalion with four guns, 150 men.

At Fenghuangcheng, (Yalu), 750 men—three Cos. Baikal, Cossacks, 450 men and one Co., Transbaikal Field Artillery, with eight guns, 300 men.

At Chinchou, (near Port Arthur) 750 men—three Cos. E. S. Sharpshooters, 750 men.

At Yinkou (Mewchwang) 1,200 men—five Cos. E. S. Sharpshooters, 1,050 men, and half Co., East Siberian Battalion with four guns, 150 men.

At Haicheng, 1,150 men—four Cos. 28th Regiment, E. S. Sharpshooters, 1,000 men, and half Co., East Siberian Battalion, with four guns, 150 men.

At Liaoyang, 1,900 men—three Cos. 15th Regiment E. S. Sharpshooters 750 men; four Cos. 28th Regiment ditto 1,020 men, and half Co., Transbaikal Field Artillery, with four guns, 150 men.

A Moukden, 350 men—One Co. 15th Regiment E. S. Sharpshooters, 250 men; half Co. Transbaikal Field Artillery, 150 men and one Co. Transbaikal Cossacks, 150 men

At Tiethio, 2,750 men—16th. Regiment E. S. Sharpshooters 2,000 men; 7th Co. First Brigade East Siberian Artillery, with eight guns, 300 men, two Cos, Transbaikal field Artillery, with twelve guns, 300 men, and one Co. Amur Cossacks, 150 men.

At Ninguta, 1,250 men—two Cos. 18th Regiment E. S. Sharpshooters, 500 men three Cos. Amur Cossacks 450 men, and one Co., East Siberian Artillery Battalion 300 men.

At Harbin, 4,550 men—17th Regiment E. S. Sharpshooters, 2,000 men six Cos., 18th Regiment ditto, 1,500 men one Co., Amur Cossacks 150 men and one battalion East Siberian Artillery, with twenty-four guns, 900 men.

At Taitsihar 1,950 men—Six Cos. 20th Regiment E. S. Sharpshooters 1,500 men, second Co., of the Second Brigade of the 1st Siberian Artillery with eight guns 300 men and one Co., Amur Cossacks 152 men.

At Hailar 1,000 men belonging to the Third Battalion Nelchinsk Reserves.

In addition to the above there are fifty-five Companies Railway Guards consisting of 24,000 men, mostly quartered at Harbin, Liaoyang, Kungchulin, Hengtaohotze and Tashihoaiho. There is also another Railway Corps consisting of some four battalions stationed at Harbin, Hengtaohotze, Kungchulin and Liaoyang.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

A MILITARY APPOINTMENT.

LONDON MARCH 4.

General Bruce Hamilton has been appointed to command the second division of the First Army Corps.

THE DREYFUS CASE.

New Trial Begun.

LONDON, MARCH 3.

The re-hearing of the Dreyfus case began before the Court of Cassation to-day.

The French public is entirely unconcerned.

WAR OFFICE REFORM.

Parliament and the Report.

DISCUSSION POSTPONED.

Mr. Balfour, in the House of Commons, proposed, to defer the discussion on the War Office report until the Government could state their policy concerning its recommendations.

AUSTRALIA AND TARIFFS.

Preferences for Great Britain.

COLONISTS READY TO MAKE SACRIFICES.

A telegram from Melbourne from Mr. Deakin, the Premier, states that the Commonwealth is prepared to alter the Tariff in favour of Great Britain, making sacrifices if necessary, to secure reciprocal preferences.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

The garrison of Chitral is in future to be included in the Peshawar district.

During the absence on leave of Surgeon-General Gallway, the Surgeon-General and Principal Medical Officer, Bengal Command will officiate as Principal Medical Officer of his Majesty's forces in India, Colonel Corbett, Principal Medical Officer Oudh and Rohilkund districts officiating for Colonel Burnett and Lieutenant-Colonel Inman for Colonel Corbett.

The Secretary of State has sanctioned a redistribution of staff officers in military districts. Each first class district will in future have two Assistant Adjutant-Generals and one Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General, whilst each second class district will have one Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General and one Brigade Major. The second class districts of Bombay Deesjat, Rohilkund and Sirhind will, however, have an extra Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General. Station staff officers of the first class are abolished, but an increase is made in the number of third and fourth class station staff officers. Four out of the six Assistant-Judge Advocate-Generals' appointments are abolished as also that of Inspector of Ordnance and Machinery on the north west frontier. The net result is a decrease in the present number of Assistant Adjutant-Generals by two, but the number of Deputy Assistant Adjutant-Generals is increased by five, whilst there are nineteen new appointments of Brigade Major.

Captain Dowling resigns his appointment in the Intelligence Branch at Simla.

Captain Barclay 120th Infantry has an extension of service with the 1st King's African Rifles until October next.

Lieutenant-Colonels DeCourcey Hamilton of army headquarters and Mortimer of the staff of the Meerut district are promoted Colonels

SUPREME LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THE OFFICIAL SECRETS BILL.

AMENDMENTS REJECTED.

THE BILL PASSED.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, MARCH 4.

The debate in the Viceroy's Council upon the Official Secrets Bill is progressing. The principal discussion has turned (1) upon Mr. Morrison's proposal to exclude civil affairs from the operation of the measure and (2) on Sri Ram Bahadur's proposal to make changes in clause three to throw the onus of proving wrongful intention upon the prosecution. Both of these amendments have been rejected.

In regard to Mr. Morrison's proposal which he supported in a telling speech arguing that it was the duty of Government to take care of its own Civil Secrets and that sufficient case had not been made out for requiring the general public to assist, the Viceroy said that if this amendment were accepted the Bill would be reduced to nullity.

Sir Arundel T. Arundel and Sir Edward Law also spoke against this amendment, the latter instancing the number of cases in connection with the Finance Department in which the premature disclosure of Government Civil information would cause heavy loss to the taxpayer.

Regarding Sri Ram Bahadur's amendment Mr. Raleigh and Sir Arundel T. Arundel combated the contention that the arrangement proposed in the Bill was contrary to the accepted principles of jurisprudence.

The Government proposal to insert the word "important" in the definition of Civil Affairs with reference to matters of State has been accepted and the Government have also agreed to a small verbal amendment proposed by Dr. Asutosh Mukerjee which makes it clear that what is meant by the word "anything" in clause 3 sub-clause (b) section 3 is "any naval, military or civil affair."

LATER

The debate on the Official Secrets Pill continued until nearly five o'clock this evening Mr. Gokhale, Dr. Asutosh Mukerji, Nawab Sayed Bahadur and Sri Ram supporting various amendments which Sir Arundel T. Arundel opposed on behalf of Government.

The measure was eventually passed practically as it was left in the hands of the Select Committee.

The only amendments accepted were: (1) to add the word "important" before the words "matters of State" in clause two; (2) to substitute the words "Naval, Military or Civil Affair" for the word "anything" in clause three sub-clause B and (3) to substitute the words "In the Public Interest" for "In the interests of the State" where such appear.

A division was taken only once in the course of the debate on one of Mr. Gokhale's amendments when the Government majority was sixteen to seven.

On the motion that the Bill be passed Messrs. Asutosh Mukerji, Gokhale, Nawab Syed Fahadur and Sri Ram Bahadur opposed, while his Highness the Agha Khan, Sir Andrew Fraser, Sir Arundel T. Arundel spoke in support.

The Viceroy summed up in a powerful and sympathetic speech in which he claimed that the modifications introduced in the Select Committee stage had removed all reasonable ground for criticism and argued the necessity of the measure though he considered it neither a heroic one nor of any extraordinary importance.

In presenting the Select Committee's report upon the Agricultural Banks' Bill in Council to-day Sir Denzil Ebbetson said that most of the changes introduced were in the direction of rendering the measure more elastic and simple. Local Governments, for example, are given free hand to modify the regulations to aid Co-operative Credit Societies of deserving natives, though their objects might not come within the precise definition of the Act. Powers are also given to the Registrar to waive the residence test, in cases where a Society is confined to any one caste or special community, as for example, in the case of the employees on a railway. In introducing the Government Stores Bill, Sir Edmund Elles explained that it was drawn up upon lines of the Public Stores Act at Home and was designed to increase the efficiency of the machinery for the prevention and detection of thefts of public stores, by removing the difficulty in obtaining the connections existing, is that the goods found in the possession of accused should be shown to have been unlawfully obtained. Sir Edward Law then introduced the Bill to amend the Indian Stamp Act. This measure introduces a number of minor changes, the most important being to reduce the stamp duty upon equitable mortgage for short periods.

ART AND INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION AT SIRSI.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

SIRSI, MARCH 4.

The Sirsi Arts and Industrial Exhibition which has been held during the festival of Mari Jatra closed to-day before a large assembly including Sardar Panse, Messrs. Murray, Enthoven, Copleston, Clarke, Haigh, Hutchinson and others. Sardar Panse presided and Mrs. Panse distributed the prizes which included 150 silver medals, certificates and cash. The Committee's report was read and special thanks were given to Sardar Panse for his generous sympathy and encouragement.

Sardar Panse in his speech dwelt upon the advantages of Local Exhibitions on the occasions of festivals when thousands of all classes gather together and eulogised the services of Mr. Salduaha, the President of the Committee and Mr. Pandit, the Secretary.

Great enthusiasm prevailed during the proceedings.

CATHEDRAL STRUCK BY LIGHTNING.

A CHOWKIDAR KILLED.

DELHI, MARCH 4.

It is reported that the Catholic Cathedral at Agra was struck by lightning yesterday morning at 1-30, a christian chowkidar, named Martin, being killed outright. Another chowkidar escaped with a slight shock. The current first struck the foot of the cross over the facade, dislodging some bricks, and penetrated the organ loft, setting fire to the almirah containing all the ornaments of Saint Anthony's altar. It passed round to the Cathedral vault, discoloring the wall, and returned to the organ loft, penetrating the floor. It then ran down the wall near the main door, killing Martin who was seated there. The other chowkidar, who escaped with a slight injury, was in the porch against one of the front pillars.

ELECTIONS AT THE BOMBAY UNIVERSITY.

ELECTIONS of Deans and Syndics of the Faculty of Medicine, the Faculty of Arts, the Faculty of Civil Engineering, and the Faculty of Law of the Bombay University, took place last evening in the Sir Cowasjee Jehangir Hall of the University. The results of the Election were as follows.

Faculty of Medicine.—For the office of Dean in this Faculty there were two candidates—Sir Bhalchandra Krishna and Lieut.-Colonel H. P. Dimmock. The former gentleman was duly elected Dean. For the office of two Syndics, there were three candidates—Dr. Hormusjee Manekjee Massina, Dr. Shantaram Vinayek Kamat, and Lieut.-Colonel W. H. Quicke. The third nomination was withdrawn and the former two candidates were duly declared elected as Syndics.

Faculty of Arts.—For the office of Dean in this Faculty Mr. E. Giles was the only candidate, and he was declared duly elected Dean. For the office of four Syndics there were six candidates—the Rev. Father Dreckmann, Principal, M. Macmillan, the Hon Mr. C. H. Setalvad, Mr. R. D. Sethna Mr M. B Chaubal and the Hon. Archdeacon W. E. Scott. The first four candidates were duly elected Syndics.

Faculty of Civil Engineering.—For the office of Dean in this Faculty, Khan Bahadur M. C. Murzban was the only candidate; and he was declared duly elected Dean. For the office of two Syndics, there were three candidates—Major W. V. Soudamore Mr N. A. F. Moos and Rao Bahadur K. G. Desai, Major Soudamore and Mr. Desai were the two successful candidates.

Faculty of Law.—For the office of Dean in this Faculty the Hon. Mr. P. M. Mehta was the only candidate; and he was declared duly elected Dean. For the office of two Syndics, there were but two candidates—the Hon. Mr. Justice Chandavarkar and Mr. Shamrao Vithal, and they were duly elected Syndics.

ROYAL INDIAN MARINE

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, MARCH 4.

The Secretary of State has sanctioned a proposal that lieutenants of the Royal Indian Marine of eight years' service in that rank should receive grade pay at Rs. 300 a month instead of Rs. 250 as heretofore. The following rates of furlough pay have also been approved:—Commanders 1st grade Rs. 550, 2nd grade Rs. 450, 3rd grade Rs. 350, Lieutenant of eight years' seniority Rs. 300 six years' seniority Rs. 250, three years' seniority Rs. 200, under three years, Rs. 150 Sub-Lieutenants on Rs. 125 a month, Rs. 125, Sub-Lieutenants on Rs. 100 a month, Rs. 100.

"GAZETTE OF INDIA" NOTIFICATIONS.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Lieut-Colonel Garrett is appointed to officiate as Judicial Commissioner, Berar, vice Mr. Batten on leave.

Captains T. S. Ross and W. H. Tucker, I. M. S. are confirmed as Majors and Captain F. N. Windsor I. M. S., to the United Provinces

The Rev. W. Ellison of the Lahore Ecclesiastical Establishment is permitted to retire next May,

REVENUE AND AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT.

Capt J. M. Bara is appointed to officiate as Assistant Surveyor General.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Commander H. McConachie, Supply and Transport Corps, is permitted to retire.

Captain H. G McGarge is gazetted Major and Lieutenant W. C. Little, Captain in the Indian Army.

Veterinary Majors Bradlee Mills and Morgan are gazetted to the rank of Lieutenant-Colonels.

Lieutenant-Colonel Ismay resigns his commission in the Nagpur Volunteer Rifle Corps.

Captain Atherton West is gazetted Major in the Cawnpore Volunteer Rifle Corps vice Mr. Robert promoted.

The Volunteer Officers Decoration is gazetted to Captain Bowmetsch of the Northern Bengal Mounted Rifles.

PASSENGERS BY THE HOMEWARD MAIL.

THE following passengers are booked to proceed by the P. and O. Co.'s steamer Persia, for Marseilles and London to-day:—

Woolcombe, Mr R
Richards Mr F T
Robson, Mr R G
Robson, Mrs
Burns Miss
Neville, Miss
Robinson, Miss L
Robinson, Miss J
Robinson, Mr H H
Azoulay, Mr Oscar
Azoulay, Madame
Hart, Mr F H
Holcomb, Mr Geo H
Lowit, Mr Thos
Haywood, Mr S
Lathlugton, Mr and Mrs A W
Hathornwaite, Mrs J P 2 children and Infant and Governess
Hamilton, Mr and Mrs L B
Boyce, Miss V E
Kilburn, Maut Mrs C C and child
Ezra, M J E D
Ezra Mr A
Robinson, Mr and Mrs G 3 children and Governess
Thomas, Miss
Ritout, Mr A
Bardsley, Mrs H K and child
Clarke, Mr and Mrs
Bankier, Mrs W A 2 children and nurse
Watkins, Mrs W J
Wickens, Mrs
Blakesley, Mr E H
Barn, Mrs R and child
Mactaggart, Mr and Mrs
Morrice, 2 misses child and infant
Baker, Maj G H
Reed, Mrs J
Chambers, Miss H M
Chambers, Miss Ida
Harriott, Mrs
Oakshott, Mr E P
Baker, Mr and Mrs A W D
Lyall, Miss E
Evers Mr F G
Cooper, Mrs F C
Mitchell, Mr and Mrs A B and child
Ducat Mr and Mrs W F
Bromfield Miss
Chambers Lt P R
Baldry Mr C K
Wharton Mr R
Carlisle Miss N
Campbell Mr R G
McCaw Mrs W J M
McCaw 2 misses and maid
Lyall Lieut C R
Gordis Mrs W
Nicoll Mr John
Allen Mrs Haigh
Worthington Mrs
Coventry Mrs
Dietz Mr and Mrs C N
Dietz Mr Harold
Beatty Mr H L
Walker Mr and Mrs H M
Raw Mr and Mrs E C
Raw Mr H C
Rangaman Mr J B
Thompson Mr J C
Collner Mr L L
Waller Mrs
Threlfall Mr and Mrs C
Threlfall 2 misses
Vanderpool Dr and Mrs F
Roberts Mr J
Currie and child Mrs
Clarke Miss G E
Daniel Mr J
Percival Mr
Rapelyea Mr and Mrs C
White Mr and Mrs W H
Ford Mr and Mrs J W E
Hornstein Mr H
Farlington Mr
Horne Mr W E
Lamb Mr C
Ezekiel Mr and Mrs E S
Faussett Mr G T G
Burton Mr
Bull Mr W
Laing Rev G
Smith Miss and maid
Graham Miss
Zimmerman Rev J and Mrs
Akers Douglas Mr G
Collier Mr and Mrs
Hoskyn, Lt R
Rumshaw Mr E C
Johnston Mr H S
Hall Mrs
Hall 2 Misses
Rawson Mr C
Hawke Mr R H
Hoper Mr and Mrs
Prain Mrs and child
Penrose Mr J E
Clark Mr J B
Mackenzie Mr and Mrs
Arnold Mr and Mrs T W and child
Orr Armour Mrs J and infant
Laing Miss
Emerson Sir William
Sassoon Mr D E
Wood Miss
Wood Mrs
Higgs Maj
Cassarus Mr V L
Smith Rev G A Allan
Smith Mrs
Bozzo Mrs F M
Boggs Miss
Field Capt and Mrs
Harry Mr G F
Philip Dr J
Gallway Sargson-General Sir Thos
Mahony Mr T H
Mahony Miss
Jackson Mr
Malpas Miss
Attlis Mrs T D
Lawton Mrs
Macdonald Mr and Mrs W
Koup Mr W R
Gooch Sir Daniel
Gourlil Mr and Mrs P E 2 children and nurse
Heberle Dr
Bonham Mrs
Byng Lt Col the Hon J H G
Byng Hon Mrs and maid
Fergie Mr J
Jafor Mr S H
Nicholson Miss
Griffiths Miss
Rust Mrs F P
Seaton Mr and Mrs
Seaton Miss
Hudson Mr J S
Kerr Mr and Mrs and valet
Hilderbrand Maj
Payne Mr H A H
Keen Capt and Mrs child and infant
Bailey Mr and Mrs G H
Arminski Mr and Mrs F
Matovitz Mr
Battis Miss
Drake Brockman Master
Giles Mr and Mrs F W
Lewis Capt F L
Clouston Miss
Thomas Miss
Bell Sr H C Forbes
Turner Mr F C
Muldock Mr G H
Waring Miss
Robertson Mr J Graham
Curry Mrs M F
Falconbridge W F
Burman Mr A
Warren Mrs
Chatoon Mrs J S
Cooper Sir W E
Ellis Mr
Miller Mr G A M and nurse
Miller Capt E D
Laidlaw Mr J
Fraser Mr Gordon
Henderson Mr C H
Montgomery Mr F S
Dow Mr D F
Dow Mrs
Aitchison Mrs,
Sykes Col W A
Jophson Maj and Mrs and child
Wilder Mr C D
Mackinnor Mrs 2 children and nurse
Cook Mrs and 2 children
Johnson Miss M B
Valet of Lt Col Hon J H G Byng
Radcliffe Lt C P F
Chadwick Mr D T
Park Miss
Dinnis Mr W
Ramsden Mr A
Young Mr R B
Hughes Mr and Mrs R M
Garrett Col and Mrs
Mitchell Mr and Mrs S and child
Davies Mr Herbert
Garth Mrs G L
Horbury Mrs
Horbury 2 Misses
White Mr A S
Hampton Miss M R
Cleland Mr F B
Haskin Mr E H
Inkson Miss J O
Cook Mr and Mrs Hugs
Richards Mr H
Pradhan Mr N W
Hay Wells Mrs and 2 children
Paxton Maj A T P
Maclean Mr G A
Arkright Mr R
Robertson Mr and Mrs
Lindesay child infts and nurse
Larlon Mr
Johnston Mr and Mrs H S
Williams Archdeacon A A
Price Mr and Mrs F W
Lodge Mrs F A
Malone Lieut E L
Bartholomew Lieut A W
Aukestell-Jones Lieut R
Rome Mr and Mrs F J
prophit Mr J M G
Prophit Miss
Dawson Mr E F
Biscoe Lt H V

BOMBAY YACHT CLUB RACES.

CAPT. MUTER'S RACE.

(For prize to be given to the Lady Steering the winning Yacht).

The following races will sail to-day:—

Names of Boats.	All'ces on Course.	To be Steered by	Time Start at
	M S		H M S
Forella.....	Scratch	Mrs Chanter.....	3 17 0
Sapphire	5 0	Mrs Hoskins.....	3 42 0
Melody	10 0	Mrs Macbeth	3 37 0
Sapphire	27 0	Mrs Curtis.....	3 20 0
Tekla.....	21 0	Mrs Noel Paton ...	3 26 0
Kria.....	23 0	Miss Turner	3 21 0
Stella	4 0	Mrs Bathush	3 43 0
Turquoise.....	8 0	Miss Crommelin..	3 39 0
Janetta .....—	19 0	Mrs Halliday	3 28 0

Special Course—From Committee vessel round W. N. W Buoy off Butcher Roe round north Karanja Buoy leaving both marks to starboard thence to finish.

Course special 9 miles.

A & B CLASS (AMALGAMATED) HANDICAP RACE.

Names of Boats.	Time All'ces on Course.	Entered by	Start at
	M S		H M
Chita.....	Scratch	Mr E Comber.....	3 15
Isis.....	5 42	Mr E Faulkner.....	3 15

Course—From Committee vessel round north Karanja Buoy round Sunk Rock and thence to Committee vessel leaving all marks to starboard. Length of course 7·6 miles.

Course No. 4 = 7·6 miles.

TOMTIT CLASS AND HANDICAP RACE.

Names of Boats.	Time All'ces on Course.	Entered by	Start at
	M S		H M S
Tomtit	Scr	Dr F M Gibson	3 0 0
Mog	0 0	Mr C H Byrne	3 0 0
Midget.....	3 10	Others as A	3 0 0
Carlito	7 36	Mr D B Blaning	3 0 0
Lapwing.....	4 26	Mr I C Richards	3 0 0

Course—Committee Vessel round north Karanja Buoy round South Rock and thence to Committee Vessel leaving all marks to Starboard. Length of course 7·6 inch.

Course No. 4 7·6 miles.

SHIP'S BOAT RACE.

Names of Boats.	Entered by	Start at
		H M S
Banesa Gig.....	Capt Ferguson	3 45 0
Banoa's Cutter.....	Capt Ferguson	3 45 0
Tientein's Gig	Capt Kenrick.....	

Course.—From Committee Vessel round north Karanja Buoy round Sunk Rock and then to Committee Vessel leaving all marks to Starboard. Length of Course 7·6 miles.

Course No. 7·6 miles.

THE LATE SIR JOHN SCOTT.

A BOMBAY HIGH COURT JUDGE.

THE death is announced, by a telegram from home, of Sir John Scott, Deputy Judge Advocate General to His Majesty's Forces, in the sixty-third year of his age. He had been Vice-President of the International Court of Appeal in Egypt from 1874 to 1882; and in the latter year came to Bombay as a Judge of the High Court. He soon established a reputation as a sound and able Anglo-Indian Judge, he became more widely known outside the Law Courts; and it was decidedly as a political power, a social influence, and as a centre of cultured society that Sir John left pleasant reminiscences behind among a wide circle of friends in this city, many of whom will deeply regret his death.

Mr. John Scott was the son of a Wigan solicitor. His mother was one of the Glovers of Perth, and he was born in 1841. He was educated at Pembroke College, Oxford, took his B. A. degree in 1863, and his M. A. in 1869. He was great at all manly games. He was champion of his College at fives and rackets, and was captain of the College Eleven. He was called to the Bar at the Middle Temple in 1865, and joined the Northern Circuit in the following spring. He read with Chitty, the famous pleader, and also studied Conveyancing. Mr. Scott came of a legal family, for his father, brother, uncle, and cousins were all solicitors in London and Lancashire and he soon succeeded in obtaining chamber work and court work. He contributed regularly to the "Law Quarterly" and he "Solicitors' Journal" as well as to the "Spectator" and the "Times". He was a member of the permanent staff of the latter journal up to a recent date, and had been regularly connected with that powerful paper for many years back. His health suffered from a heavy strain of work; and he went to the Riviera to recruit. He thought that the climate of Egypt would suit him, and he had the sagacity to see in the Egyptian courts a chance of a promising career. He joined the local Bar in Egypt in 1872, and the reputation he had acquired in England helped him to a large practice. After two years more, Mr. Scott was appointed the first English Appeal Judge in the International Courts in Egypt and in 1877 was appointed its President. In 1881, Mr. Scott was named Secretary of the Commission to report on justice in Egypt, and wrote an elaborate report, which was printed for the use of the Foreign Office; and for which he received the special thanks of Government. During those years, he was known to "the Times" correspondent in Egypt, and he availed himself of many opportunities of extending English influence and counteracting the encroachments of French diplomacy.

Mr. Scott's valuable services found recognition in his appointment, on the recommendation of Sir Charles Dilke, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, as a Judge of the Bombay High Court in 1882. He sat in one of the division courts on the Original Side, and made himself very popular by his uniform courtesy to all who came in contact with him. His decisions were for the most part unerring; and the public confidence in the soundness of his judgments was common to all classes of the community. He settled the law of Temple Endowments in the well-known Jain Temple case, and brought all temple managers throughout India within the ordinary rules and responsibilities of trustees. Mr. Justice Scott also laid down the fiduciary liabilities of mill directors with a strictness that has had a salutary effect upon the mill industry of Bombay. He expounded the law as regards contributories in the winding up of companies. In the Sir Mungaldas Nathubhoy case, he defined the law as regards the rights of the Hindu sons to a share in the undivided property of his father. He brought to a final close thirty years' litigation over the Mazagon Dockyard property; and his judgment, though reversed by the local Appeal Court, was restored and confirmed on appeal to the Privy Council. These are but a few out of the many important cases which Mr. Justice Scott decided in Bombay. His judgments were always models of lucidity and precision.

Mr. Justice Scott during his eight years' stay in Bombay took an active part in all public movements. He served on innumerable committees and often spoke eloquently at public meetings on important occasions. He was a warm friend of the natives of India. In his papers published in the "Times," he advocated more representation in the Provincial Councils but was opposed to every system of narrow election because in his opinion the country was not ripe for it. He denounced infant marriages, and ably supplemented Mr Malabari's efforts in the matter. Hard incessant work again told upon his health, and in April 1890 he availed himself of an offer to go to Egypt and report on the judicial organisation there, and devise some practical measure of judicial reform. He went for a twelvemonth; but he did such excellent work that he was continued there as Judicial Adviser to the Khedive. In further recognition of his valuable services, he was created a K. C. M. G. in 1891. Sir John Scott's reforms in Egypt, though drastic and wide-sweeping, have nevertheless been such as to secure the whole-hearted appreciation and approval of native as well as foreign litigants. So highly, indeed were his services regarded that the Khedive declared that his departure was a great loss to himself and his country. His Highness had personally conferred upon the Judicial Adviser the Grand Cordon of the Osmanieh in recognition of his services. On his retirement from Egypt in April 1898, Sir John Scott was appointed Deputy Judge Advocate General to his Majesty's Forces.

THE HARBOUR FERRY SERVICE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—The good ship 'Fairy Queen' has once again come in for critical remarks in the daily press. A "new arrival" complains that the boat returned to Carnac Bunder over two hours late last Sunday. But this is no novelty. For some days both at new moon and full moon, the "Fairy Queen" unships her Dharamtar passengers some two miles from their destination, and sometimes sticks in the mud for a few hours, even after taking this precaution. The landing arrangements all along the route are unsatisfactory and the company's servants do not make the best of a bad job. Not only are the passengers bundled in and out of the muchwas and the Dharamtar emergency launch, but even at Carnac Bunder, when the captain has at last brought his steamer to the wharf side (with the help of twin screws, helm, anchor, rope and shouting) there is further delay caused, through the crowd of third class passengers who invade the upper deck and squeeze each other into the gangways.

Were all this only an example of the innate unprogressiveness of India, there would be nothing for it but resignation. But it is not. The present contractors have a monopoly of the Harbour Ferry Service until June 14, 1906, and in fulfilment of their agreement they put on a boat, of such deep draught that she constantly runs aground; she is frequently crowded; and the want of landing craft compels the passengers to employ independent tonies. The times of departure and arrival are not kept to and even if they were, they are convenient only to the Company.

Seeing the state of affairs, and knowing that the traffic was sufficient to make it worth while to provide decently, for it, a native gentleman recently had two steamers specially built on the Clyde of light draft, for this kind of service. But on applying to Government for a licence to ply across the Harbour twice a day, (the present service carries but once) he was practically told to keep his steamers rusting for twenty-seven months, till the monopoly ran out.

There is much to be said in favour of granting monopolies for this kind of public service, but the grant should carry with it the obligation of ascertaining that it is the best method of meeting public needs.—Yours &c.

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BILLIARDS IN BOMBAY.

MATCH AT THE TAJ MAHAL.

MR. JOHN ROBERTS, the well known billiard expert concluded his match at Taj Mahal last evening against the local amateur Mr. Muir won by a comfortable margin. Mr Robert did not make any high breaks, but his play was remarkably even, hence the result was never at any time in doubt. His principal breaks were 64-80-37-52-85-51-73-78 and an unfinished 47, while Mr. Muir's highest breaks were 32-23-22. To-night Mr. Roberts begins a special match at the

allotted to the child of from ten to fourteen. In both cases the lesson given should not be continuous, being judiciously broken up by exercise and recreation. Lengthy musical practice for the growing child is, it would appear, productive of more harm than good, thirty minutes to an hour being ample time for this form of employment, since the strained position involved is injurious to the spine when carried to undue lengths. And for this reason the lecturer also gave it as his opinion that no young girl should be allowed to learn two musical instruments simultaneously. Competitive examinations and events got up for public display were also censured by the doctor. He also dwelt at length upon the evils of overwork and over-pressure, which are shown by each subject in a different way. The growing girl, said the lecturer, in conclusion, should be thoroughly overhauled by the family doctor at least once in the year, in order that it may be seen whether her chest, spine, and heart are in good working order, which plan is already followed, with very beneficial results, in some of the high schools.

THE MUNICIPAL ELECTION APPEAL

PETITION DISMISSED.

At the Bombay Small Causes Court yesterday, Mr. Rustomji Merwanji Patel, Acting Chief Judge, delivered judgment in the appeal filed by Dr. C. Fernandes (one of the successful candidates at the recent ratepayers' election of the Girgaum ward, praying to set aside the election of the Hon. Mr H. S. Dixit, on the ground that Mr. Dixit being a resident of Bandora was not legally entitled to be on the election roll.

His Honour in delivering judgment said: The election of the second respondent Mr. Dixit is sought to be set aside as a councillor of the Girgaum Ward on the ground that he did not reside in Bombay, and was, therefore, not legally enrolled as a voter in the Municipal Ward roll as required by section 11 (2) (a). If he was legally enrolled as a voter, it would follow that under section 14 (1) of the Municipal Act he was not qualified to be elected a councillor. The respondent's name was on the rolls as a graduate and as a fellow of the University. Residence is a "Sine qua non" in order to be qualified as a voter. It was admitted that, except as to residence, the repondent had all the other necessary qualifications. Presumably residence was enforced in order that the voter or councillor might acquire a local interest in the city which he was to represent at the Corporation. But any restrictions or qualifications could only be provided by the legislature, and we have only to construe the Act as it stands. The question then is whether in terms of section 3 (a), Mr. Dixit resided within the city. Mr. Inverarity for the petitioner argued that in order to prove that the respondent resided in the Fort, there must be a bona fide residence proved and an "animus residendi" as well as an "animus revertendi" shown with absolute right to use the room set apart in Mr. Dixit's office as his sleeping apartment. It was submitted that the residence was a colourable one and not bona fide, because the respondent had set apart the room and slept in it about six times a year, for the express purpose of qualifying himself. But I think if "residing" as a fact was proved, it did not matter what was the avowed purpose for so doing. The case of Etherington vs. Wilson (1 ch. Div. 1875 p. 160) is quite clear on the point. James L. J. said, "A man has a right to give himself a qualification. If he does so he is qualified. If the law enables a man to be qualified, he is qualified." As observed in that suit if a person put up a board bearing his name in a friend's or a stranger's house, not paying rent for it, nor occupying it or sleeping in it, then certainly it would be a colourable residence. But that was not the case here. And I am clearly of opinion that an actual residence, if proved, could not be affected by the simple circumstance that it was acquired solely for the purpose and the avowed object of qualifying oneself. In his letter to the Commissioner as well as in his evidence the respondent did not disguise the fact that he had kept the residence in the Fort for the sole purpose of qualifying himself. The second objection was that the room set apart to reside" in was in an office rented by the respondent's firm and not by him personally, and that the use of the room was not absolute and as of right, but was allowed with the consent of his partners. As a matter of fact the respondent swore he had always free access to it and the consent given was not withdrawn. I find that Dipsate's case (L. R. 4 Q. B 114) answers the objection. It was there held that an occupation by a person jointly with his partners in a place rented by the firm for their business was permissible, and a joint occupation was sufficient. In that case a furnished bed-room was set apart in an office for the use of one partner who sought to be enrolled as a burgess. Dipsate however had stated in his affidavit that he had slept some times in that room and and as the statute required residence for six months as an inhabitant householder he was held not to have satisfied it so far Mr. Dixit's firm is a firm of solicitors and if the partners consented to allot one room to be set apart for his use and they all paid the rent jointly, I do not think the objection prevails. Section 3 (n) of the Municipal Act seems to be very liberally worded. It includes of a person having two residences; one may be his permanent family residence and the other a temporary one or kept specially for the purpose of qualifying himself under the Act. In the latter event it is sufficient, if he has a sleeping apartment in a dwelling and if he uses or sleeps there sometimes. Sleeping in a room was essentially necessary. But the section did not require an uninterrupted use of the room. The liberty allowed to have a broken residence has been accompanied by the circumstance that physical absence for any length of time from that apartment was of no consequence, if the person owning the apartment had the liberty of reverting to it at any time and that intention was not abandoned. If these requisites were observed section 3 (n) enacted that a person would be deemed to "reside" in that apartment. The definition attempted in this section was probably based on the position accepted from Bullock on Registration in the leading case of Powell vs Guest (18 C B N. S. p. 80) as to what constituted "residence." The cases cited on behalf of the petitioner were mostly under the old statutes of 2 William 4, C 45 and 5 and 6 William 4, C 76. It must be noted that they required a residence of six months previous to 1st day of July, before one could be entitled to be on the burgess list. The English Municipal Corporation Act of 1882 requires occupation or residence for twelve months. No such restriction as to time was enforced by our Municipal Act. The word "residence" is variously treated in different statutes. But we have to take a reasonable common sense view in construing section 3 (n). As Blackburn J. observed in Wescomb's case (L. R. 4 Q. B. 110) "There is no strict or definite rule for ascertaining what is inhabitance or residence." The same judge remarked in Dipsate's case, "In all these cases it is question of degree more or less. There is no precise line to be drawn." Adopting this view, the question is, has the respondent satisfied the requirements of the local Act which enacts a person is deemed to reside in any dwelling or portion of it, which he sometimes uses as a sleeping apartment; "He sleeping six times in a year in an apartment sufficient to satisfy the expression sometimes uses? That expression I take it is equivalent to sometimes couples or sometimes sleeps. The expression sometimes slept appeared in the affidavit of the claimant in Dipsate's case and though that was not an expression used in the statute of 5 and 6 William C. 76 and 5 Hanson J. held that the expression would be satisfied if the claimant slept there twice. Assuming the respondent's story to be correct I am of opinion that so far he has satisfied the requirements of the Act. The only doubt in my mind I was whether it required by section 3 (n) the sleeping apartment was in a "dwelling." It was contended that a solicitor's office could not be called a "dwelling" under the Act. In Dipsate's case is furnished room in an office and a place of business was accepted as a "residence." A "dwelling" or dwelling house" is understood to be occupied as a residence as distinguished from an office, a warehouse or other like building. In ordinary language a dwelling conveys the idea of an abode or of one's house. But in construing section 3 (n) the word dwelling must be read with the context. Looking to the state of society in Bombay and to the circumstance that in many houses in the Fort there are offices as well as residences, when a portion or a room in an office is turned into a sleeping apartment one has to see whether there are the usual necessary conveniences of a bath, a cook-room, and a closet attached to or adjoining the sleeping apartment. Such conveniences are what go to make a "dwelling." The respondent had suggested that his tea was prepared there by a Brahmin. The description he gave of the contents of his sleeping apartment viz, a sofa, a washing stand, two chairs and a table went to throw some doubt whether it could be treated as a bedroom, particularly in the absence of a cot or a bedstead. But the Court had to consider that it was a temporary sleeping apartment of a Hindu and ideas as to furnishing a bedroom varied considerably among different classes and different communities. A general inspection of the premises was therefore, considered necessary. That inspection showed that the necessary conveniences and requirements of a "dwelling" were provided for on the same flat, and were adjacent to and within easy reach of the apartment. It was in evidence that the whole flat was rented by the respondent's firm. I therefore, hold, that within the meaning of section 3 (n) the respondent must be deemed to have resided in the apartment and that the apartment was in a dwelling and constituted his dwelling or residence as required by the statute. The petition must, therefore, be dismissed with costs to both respondents Rs. 31 each.

THE WODEHOUSE BRIDGE HEALTH CAMP.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Between the Wodehouse Bridge and the Victoria Swimming Bath there is a sandy stretch of shore on which in the mornings, and more so in the evenings, a large number of people, chiefly ladies and children, come for recreation and exercise. To the east across the Kennedy Sea Face foot path there is a narrow strip of land with little heaps of sand on which you will see from before four to about seven in the evening troops of children, mostly Europeans, playing and enjoying themselves. This vacant land is being encroached upon by tents of the Government Health Camp. The object of the Camp is a very good one, but is it too much to ask the authorities, who in this case are the City Improvement Trust and the Executive Engineer, Presidency to allow the general public the boon of this small open space by prohibiting the further erection of tents in this particular direction? Room could be found for the tents of Government servants in other places if required.—Yours, &c.,

A. B.

March 4th.

FIORILINE.—For the Teeth and Breath.—A few drops of the liquid Fiorilline sprinkled on a wet toothbrush produces a pleasant lather which thoroughly cleanses the teeth from all parasites or impurities, hardens the gums, prevents tartar, stops decay, gives to the teeth a peculiar pearly whiteness and a delightful fragrance to the breath. It removes all unpleasant odour arising from decayed teeth or tobacco smoke. The Fragrant Fiorilline being composed in parts of Honey and Sweet Herbs, is delicious to the taste, and the greatest toilet discovery of the age. Of all Chemists, and Perfumers. Wholesale Depot 33, Farringdon Road, London, England.

A MERCHANDISE MARKS CASE.

SUIT IN THE HIGH COURT.

THE Hon. Mr. Justice Tyebji, presiding at the High Court yesterday, delivered judgment in the suit brought by the Badische Aniline and Soda Fabrick against Farbenfabriken Bayer & Co., in which the plaintiffs claim that the defendants be restrained from selling or exposing for sale, or importing anilina dyes, on which was affixed the label mentioned in the plaint or any colourable imitation of the plaintiffs' label; that defendants be ordered to account for all profits made by them by such sale of anilina dyes; to pay to plaintiffs such damages as may be deemed just, and to deliver up all tins of anilina dyes bearing a colourable imitation of plaintiffs' labels in order that they may be destroyed etc. The Hon. Mr. Scoble, Mr. Lowndes, and Mr Rivett Carnac, instructed by Messrs. Payne & Co. appeared for the plaintiffs; and Mr Inverarity and Mr. Davar, instructed by Messrs. Crawford Brown, & Co. appeared for the defendants.

Mr. Justice Tyebji said the suit was to restrain the defendants from using the letters D. D. on the ground that they were calculated to deceive buyers. Citing eight cases, the Judge said these authorities clearly established the foundation of an action of this kind to be a supposed misrepresentation to the public, or the deceiving of the public. Also, there was no monopoly of exclusive use to words letters animals, devices, or in names indicative of quality or description. Although no protection could be granted on the last point it could be extended in the event of the plaintiffs establishing their own particular manufacture. Once a plaintiff established that a device indicated his own manufacture, and any buyer seeing the device would be justified in concluding he purchased plaintiffs' goods, the Court would restrain the use of device or the Court would restrain the use of device or imitation likely to deceive. Now, the question was—Had the plaintiffs in this case established the letters D. D. indicating the goods bearing them were plaintiffs' manufacture? Or, was it established of plaintiffs' manufacture? Or, was it established of plaintiffs' manufacture? Or, was it established that the manner in which the defendants had used the letters were calculated to deceive purchasers in to the belief they were purchasing plaintiffs' goods? Those were pure questions of fact, depending on the judgment of the Judge. As to the meaning and scope of eight out of the twenty-six issues, in the case, some discussion had arisen, when Mr. Carnac had said the eight issues he objected to which Mr. Bahadurji, instructed by Messrs. Nanu and Hormasji, consented for the defendants. The defendants, his servants and agents were, in virtue of the decree, perpetually restrained by injunction from importing or selling in Bombay and other places in India aniline dyes in tins or wrappers bearing the cow label referred to in the plaint; or any other label representing an animal resembling a cow. There should be no such distinctive feature used by the defendants.

BOMBAY COMMAND ORDERS.

Second-Lieutenant J. Livesay, North Staffordshire Regiment, attached 1st Battalion, North Stafford shire Regiment, a candidate for the Indian Army, to be Double Company Officer, 102nd Princess of Wales's Own Grenadiers. Second Lieutenant J. Livesay will be attached to the 103rd Infantry (Mooltan Regiment until further orders.

Lieutenant H. St. G. Scott, 91st Pioneers is transferred to the 2nd Battalion 4th Gurkhas and is struck off the strength of the Command.

The following postings have been ordered:—Lieutenant A. R. L. Mason, from No. 9 Mountain Battery, R.G.A. to No. 72 Company R.G.A. and J. Waring, No. 74 Company R.G.A. to No. 9 Mountain Battery R.G.A.

The undermentioned officers of the Unattached List will on arrival in India, be attached to the regiments specified:—Second-Lieutenants A. H. Burn to 2nd Battalion, Royal Scots; W. H. Lang to 2nd Battalion Welsh Regiment G. T. Drake Brockman to 2nd Battalion, Welsh Regiment; W. H. Lang to 2nd Battalion Welsh Regiment; and M. G. Anderson to 2nd Battalion, Connaught Rangers.

The undermentioned officers have been permitted to return to duty:—Captains A. H. Cooke 94th Russell's Infantry; R. H. Palin, 130th Baluchis; B. Vaughan Arbuckle, Poona Volunteer Rifles; and N. G. Fraser, 34th Prince Albert Victor's Own Poona Horse.

Captain F. L. Lloyd Jones (attached 102nd Prince of Wales's Own Grenadiers), 113th Infantry is granted leave to proceed out of India on medical certificate for one year.

Major R. M. Botham 108th Infantry, Recruiting Staff Officer for Mahrattas and Dekhani Musalmans is granted leave to proceed out of India on private affairs for one year.

Sub-Conductor F. Court, Ordnance Department is granted leave to proceed out of India on medical certificate for one year.

The undermentioned officers have been granted extensions of leave:—Major W. A. Thompson, 31st Duke of Connaught's Own Lancers for two months on private affairs; Captains A. M. Doveton, 101st Grenadiers for six weeks on medical certificate, W. S. Jacob 116th Mahrattas for six months on medical certificate; and L. M. R. Deas Supply and Transport Corps till 5th April 1904 on medical certificate; and Second-Lieutenant S. Usher Unattached List for six months on medical certificate.

Lieutenant H. M. Nornabell 47th Battery Royal Field Artillery has leave of absence out of India for six months on private affairs.

Lieutenant A. Mackrell Manchester Regiment, attached 1st Battalion York and Lancaster Regiment, is granted leave out of India for nine months on medical certificate.

DUST LAYING DEVICES.

THE APPLICATION OF TAR.

Good results have been obtained in Europe in the experiments for rendering road free from dust by coating the surface with tar. The engineer for the Seine and Marne Departments reports that, after an unsuccessful trial of a mixture of oil and petroleum a coating of tar was, in the summer of 1902 laid down on seven different lengths of road. After carefully observing these during a period of five months he remarks that: "Dust and mud have wholly disappeared and the cost for maintenance of the roads has been considerably reduced." Further, comparing the previous outlay on the roads with that of those with tarred surface, he says, it appears that it may be assumed that the tarring method requires no greater outlay, and at the same time very considerably improves the condition of the roadway.

In La Cher two lengths of the Chaussee National 144 were coated with tar in June and August of 1902. Both these experiments have been entirely successful, the road being now covered with an elastic skin, while the sound of foot-passengers' tread is muffled, and horses and draught oxen required only one-half the effort they put forth before. The noise and vibration caused by vehicular traffic is much reduced, and neither dust nor mud is formed on the tarred surface. Again: "The inhabitants of St. Amando and neighbourhood, as well as the officials of the Bridges and Roads Department, are satisfied as to the beneficial effect of the tar coating."

Another passage in the report says: "The occupiers of the houses in the busiest street in Auxerre have already undertaken to provide the cost of supplying this coal-tar."

THE NATIVE PRESS.

ENGLAND AGAINST RUSSIA.

The "Gujarati" declares that, in the event of any possible conflict with Russia on the Northern frontier, the sympathy of all India will be decidedly with England. Our contemporary adds:—We do not believe that there is any truth in the statement that Russia is creating complications in India on the Northern frontier in case England helped Japan. Russia has enough on her hands both at home and abroad and we do not think that she will think of any such insane adventure. Even in ordinary circumstances no intelligent and far seeing Indian has regarded Russian government and its methods with anything but a feeling of positive repugnance, and her recent doings in the Far East have intensified that feeling of aversion. The Russo-Japanese war has made one fact still more clear than it was to our rulers and that is that India has not the slightest sympathy with Russia in her eastern policy. We have a number of serious grievances and substantial complaints against the British Government and all of us are determined to go on protesting with persistent determination against the existing evils and disabilities till they are removed. But we are not unmindful of the blessings of British rule, and if Russia expects the least sympathy from any sane Indian, she is altogether mistaken. India will have nothing whatever to do with her. If ever any conflict should arise which God forbid, between Russia and England the duty of the Indian people is perfectly clear. Though a policy of short-sighted and almost suicidal distrust has resulted in the wholesale emasculation of the inhabitants of this country, they will be found to co-operate with England absolutely with one mind in the hour of danger and prepared to sacrifice their all for the maintenance of their connection with her.

AN APPRECIATION OF LORD LAMINGTON.

The "Kaiser-i-Hind" in immediate connection with what occurred at the last meeting of the Bombay Legislative Council, says of H. E. the Governor:—The unfailing energy and activity with which His Excellency has at all points tried to make himself acquainted with every phase of Bombay life have produced the happiest impressions upon the people. We believe those impressions will be very much enhanced by knowledge of the manner in which His Excellency made his appearance at the first meeting of the Legislative Council, under his presidency. It is perfectly clear that His Excellency is a man of varied accomplishments and wide culture, and what is equally important he has an easy confidence in his own capacity and power of judgment. It is becoming increasingly manifest that His Excellency will not take opinions from others. He will always endeavour to form them for himself. He will no doubt require the help and assistance of all those who can inform and instruct him. He will give every due weight and value to the arguments and opinions of all about him but he will ultimately form his own opinion himself. He will not be prevented by timidity from final reliance on his own judgment; and assisted by liberal and sympathetic colleagues, we have no doubt that His Excellency has before him the happiest prospects of usefulness.

HOUSING THE POOR.

On the question of providing dwellings for the poor, the "Rast Goftar" observes:—Bombay might well feel grateful to the Hon'ble Mr. Vithaldas Damodar Thackersy for the persistence with which he has been pressing the question of providing dwellings for the working classes on the models of the Government. Last August, in his maiden speech in the Bombay Legislative Council, the honourable member had drawn the attention of Government to the matter and suggested that some system of grants-in-aid might be devised which would enable the capitalists and public syndicates to tackle the problem of providing suitable dwelling accommodation for the displaced poor in Bombay. From the correspondence which has subsequently passed between the Hon'ble member and the Government, it appears that Mr. Vithaldas has not failed to press home his arguments in favour of some such policy as he suggested then, and that Government themselves have in contemplation some workable scheme which will give relief to the displaced poor in the city.

A TYPICAL BENGALEE.

Noticing the death of Dr. M. L. Sircar, the "Voice of India" says:—A typical Bengali passed away last week in the person of Dr. Mahendra Lal Sircar. To Dr. Sircar belongs the rare merit of having found allopathy too empirical to satisfy him, of having boldly embraced the system of Hahneman. His struggles with the profession on this account, which lasted for years and his final triumph achieved with the help of scientific men in Europe, are matters of history. Suffice it here to say that Dr. Sircar was allowed to retain his degree as well as his seat on the University Senate of Calcutta in spite of his so called heresy. His public career has since been one of uninterrupted usefulness. Besides attending to a large and growing practice, the veteran homeopath found time for active scientific work. His connection with the Association he had been instrumental in starting and the Journal which he kept up till his death, deserves special mention.

THE GOKULDAS TEJPAL SCHOOLS.

In referring to the recent prize distribution at the Gokuldas Tejpal Schools the "Rast Goftar" states:—Among the many educational institutions which have been visited by his Excellency Lord Lamington since his arrival in Bombay, the Gokuldas Tejpal Schools hold, for obvious reasons, a specially prominent place. As Mr. Goverdhandas Gokuldas Tejpal, in his opening statement, justly claimed, among the educational endowments that have been made in this city till now, a very high place is taken by the charities left by his revered father, the late Sheth Gokuldas Tejpal. They are as extensive as they are judiciously organized, and confer their benefits in a variety of directions. As to the good work they have been doing and their success, no better test could be found than the beneficial effects they have exerted on a generation of men and women of the class which they were intended to benefit.

THE INDIAN UNIVERSITIES BILL.

The alterations introduced by the Select Committee in the Universities Bill, though they do not affect the main features of the original draft, says the "Voice of India," are so numerous and so carefully conceived that we feel little hesitation in ascribing them to the independence of judgment and expert knowledge brought to bear upon the Bill by the veteran educationists appointed on the Committee. Under the altered Bill, an Honorary Fellow does not cease to be such when he becomes an Ordinary Fellow; when the period of Ordinary Fellowship expires, he reverts to the Honorary Class. The principle of using the Honorary Class as a sort of reserve from which Fellows may be drawn for active service was a advocated by us as a compromise between the abolitionists and the conservatives. We should like the Ordinary Fellows appointed hereafter also, and not merely existing Fellows, to be absorbed into the Honorary Class when they retire from active Fellowship. Such a rule would give effect to the very desirable principle that "a Fellow, always a Fellow," either Honorary or Ordinary. The extension of the elective franchise to all graduates of ten years' standing will be received with satisfaction.

THE OFFICIAL SECRETS' BILL.

The "Kaiser-i-Hind" observes:—The Presidency Association seems to feel strongly on the subject of the odious Official Secrets' Bill. Like the rest of the public it is not satisfied with the measure even as it has emerged from the Select Committee. No doubt some alterations have been made in the original legislation but as he observed the other day, the fangs of the monster have not yet been made harmless. They are still of a character to do immense injury to the public and the press. Under the circumstances, there are only two alternatives left either to abandon the Bill in obedience to universal opinion, European and Indian, or to make its provisions innocuous so as to keep intact the sacred liberty of the individual and the existing freedom of the Press. These two alternatives the Association has again urged with great ability and force of reasoning.

THE NATIONAL BANK DEFALCATION CASE.

ACCUSED GETS FIVE YEARS' HARD.

The second trial, which began at Colombo on the 24th ultimo, of A. B. Canjemanaden, a late ledger keeper of the National Bank of India, on charges of cheating the Bank, of several sums of money by inducing the Bank, on false representations, to honour certain cheques of native firms, concluded on the 26th instant. Mr. Justice Middleton summed up the case to the Jury and spoke for three-quarters of an hour. His Lordship explained the charges against the accused, and the elements necessary to bring them home. In dealing with the evidence, his Lordship said there was nothing to discredit the evidence of the Bank officials. The Jury after 10 minutes' deliberation, brought in a verdict—through their foreman Mr. J. W. R. Still—of guilty against the accused on the first and second counts, in respect of two sums, viz., Rs. 1,720 and Rs. 3,872. In sentencing the accused Mr. Middleton observed that he had been found guilty of very serious offences. He had occupied a position of trust and confidence, but he had betrayed that trust and availed himself of his position to cheat. The accused was sentenced to five years' rigorous imprisonment.

An application by Mr H. A Jayawardena to reserve certain points of law had been raised for the consideration of the Full Court was disallowed, his Lordship observing that he had no doubts on those points.

The accused at the result of his first trial, it will be re-called, was also found guilty and sentenced to three years rigorous imprisonment on each count, the sentences to run concurrently. Owing to a technical objection raised by Mr. Dornhorst, the Full Court set aside the sentences. As the result of the new trial Canjenanaden has to undergo two years extra imprisonment.

Hunyadi János

FOR

LIVER COMPLAINTS, OBESITY, &c.

"A Specific for Obesity."—*The Vienna Medical Press.*

Average dose:—a wineglassful before breakfast, either pure or diluted with a similar quantity of hot or cold water.

HERE, THERE AND EVERYWHERE.

The Russian national hymn is quite a modern production, while the Japanese is, on the contrary, the oldest existing and it may be also the shortest. It is known as "Kimigayo," and when translated means somewhat as follows:—"May the reign of our Sovereign endure for a thousand years and for eight thousand more beyond that, until stones are not rocks any more, nor moss any longer grows thickly." Although it is of immense antiquity it has only been the official national anthem of Japan since that country first began to Occidentalise itself.

The smartest dog in New York (says "Town Topics") was driven up to a Fifth-avenue beauty parlour one afternoon last week to have its hair brushed, parted in the centre, and sleeked down with brilliantine. It wore a linen collar, a silk four-in-hand scarf with a single pearl, a plaid coat with pockets, in which were white gloves and a handkerchief. In another pocket there was a visiting card, which read: "My name is Raffles. Who are you?"

The Duchesse de Luynes has had a curious adventure while hunting in the forest of Rambouillet a day or two ago. Being hard pressed, the stag turned down a path which the duchess happened to be crossing at that moment, her horse going at a canter. It tried to clear them, but instead caught the lady with its antlers and tossed her high into the air. The duchess and the stag fell down on the turf together, while the horse went on as if nothing had happened. A moment later the stag had picked itself up and bolted off. Madame de Luynes had a wonderful escape, as she has got off without a bruise.

Many places have curious names, but apparently there is only one place which has a name without any vowels. That place is the little hamlet of Wfs, near Paris. We being an unpronounceable name, the inhabitants of the hamlet have transferred it into "d'Us," but this change has not been sanctioned legally, and on all the official records the name Wfs still appears. So far as known, there is only one person in Europe whose name is without vowels. This is M. Srb, the Mayor of Prague.

A singular discovery has been made in connection with the Suez Canal. The company has found that the fringe of reeds which grow here and there on the African side of the canal below Ismailia, forms a better protection for the banks than the masses of expensive sunburned brick or sandstone in use elsewhere. An attempt has been made to grow them but the difficulty has been found that the reeds, though they will afterwards adapt themselves and flourish in salt water, must be originally grown in fresh water and of that there is none on the Asian shore of the cutting from end to end.

The evidence of ladies outfitters affords direct proof of the improvement in physique of modern woman. Most decidedly, said the manager of a Regent-street firm, our lady customers require larger sizes than they did ten years ago. Formerly we stocked nothing larger than 5, and 3 was the average size. Now we keep 7's, and during last year even 8's, and 5 is the average size of boots. Gloves, hosiery, and underwear are all being sold in the West End in larger sizes than ten years ago.

Like the hero in the sensational story, the Jap leads a dual existence. In the morning (says the "Free Lance)" he is the shrewd man of business, whether as seller or buyer, on whom it would be vain for the cunningest rogue to attempt the confidence trick; in the evening, or on an holiday this astute Jap may be seen, his whole mind absorbed while he keeps a paper butterfly from falling to the ground by the ignorous flirting of a fan, or nods his grey head with glee at the gay-coloured kite as it soars above him, the string held with tremulling joy in his withered old hands. The next day butterfly and kite have been put away and the old man is circumventing a 'cute Yankee trader or with unrivalled art is converting the simplest material into a thing of beauty.

We of the outer public have a little idea of the troubles which beset the path of the barrister more or less learned in the law. Thus it is being told that not so very long ago one of the legal tribe was defending a man charged with some minor theft. The defence was an alibi and all seemed going well until the prisoner was placed in the box to give evidence on his own behalf. The prosecuting counsel asked of him was he "the defendant in this case." To which, the witness answered, with a look of surprise, "No Sir; I'm the man who stole the money. Mr. Soanso (pointing to his own counsel)—he's the defendant."

Of late years the English novel has been extending its influence more and more widely among our Continental neighbours. It was perhaps in Holland that the custom of giving translations of successful English novels as feuilletons in the daily press first become a noticeable incident. Paris quickly followed the Dutch example, and now it seems that Spain is doing the like. The work of Mr. H G. Wells seem particularly to hit the Spanish taste, if we may judge from the fact that the Imparcial, which has already produced The War of the worlds in serial from is now about to pay a similar compliment to The Invisible Man. When the Sleeper Wakens, and The First Men in the Moon.

The King of Spain used as a boy to be very fond of rabbit shooting, and "Pearson's Magazine" tells us that he once told his worthy professor of history, Senor Brieva Salvatierra, who was reading to him the tiles which other Kings of Alfonso had been accorded in history, that he would be known to posterity as "The Rabbit." After this, rabbit shooting was omitted from the curriculum of his studies.

With Lord Robert ends the line, instituted in the year 1674, of British Commanders-in-Chief. Of the eighteen who have consecutively held office, nine were English, three Irish, two Anglo-Irish, two Scotch, one French one German.

According to a Belgian paper the Czar is among the composers. It is stated that at a soiree in the Winter Palace several works from the Imperial pen were performed, among them one entitled "The Song of Peace." This stands in three sections, the first of which depicts the turmoil of battle, while the second suggests the stricken field, covered with dead and wounded. The third invokes retribution upon those who are responsible for such horrors. The other work is written in honour of the saints of the Orthodox Church, and of those who devote themselves to a cloistered life, far from human miseries. This is dedicated to the Archduke Constantine, himself a poet and musician.

Curious as it is that the Duke of Devonshire should derive his title from a county with which neither he nor his ancestors have ever had the remotest connection, it is far more singular in this respect among his brother-peers. Taking the dukes of England alone (says "M. A. P.") a full half of them—it is sufficient to mention Manchester, Richmond Newcastle Marlborough and Fife—have no connection at all either territorial with the places titularly associated with them. More singular still there are Scotland peers even representative peers for Scotland in Parliament—for example Viscount Falkland—who are of purely English descent and own not a single acre north of the Tweed while there are Irish peers such as Viscount Valentia quite unconnected with Ireland and sitting in the House of Commons for English constituencies.

They have not grown accustomed to the ingenuousness of the American press in Germany yet. Thus a socially respectable Teutonic journal expresses pity for the inhabitants of Oklahoma (Texas), wherever that may be (of which a paper published in a rival American city has given the following startling details. In the bedrooms of the chief hotel it seems the following notice is exhibited:—" (1) Gentlemen who go to bed in their boots must pay extra. (2) Three blows on the door signify that a murder has taken place in the hotel and that the guests must get up at once. (3) It is strictly forbidden to tear strips of the wallpaper in order to light pipes. (4) Should any rain come through the ceiling an umbrella will be sound under the bed." And so on. Very dreadful indeed, if true.

Speaking of the night watchman being abolished in the towns of Ribeauville and Kaaysersburg (writes a correspondent) you state that "the last official watcher of the night will have disappeared, at least Western Europe." It is not very long since I heard one in Eyrs, a small town on the Austrian side of the Stelvio Pass, not very far from Meran. Of course they may have been abolished since I was there but I rather doubt it. In addition to this I would ask what are the duties of the "Serano," or night watchman, in Spanish towns. Without being certain, I believe that one of his duties is to inform the sleepers of the hour of the night. I have never myself heard a Serano, the most extraordinary thing that I have heard in the way of night noises in Spain being a bagpipe and drum duet which was played under my window for some hours at Pontevedra, in Galicia, two years ago.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

The Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a.m. yesterday give the following results:—

Wards.	Plague. Attacks.	Deaths.	Deaths from all Causes.
A Upper, Maudlé and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern and Fort Southern and Reprieves	7	4	5
B Mandvi, (Chuckla, Umarkhadi and Dongri	33	23	41
C Market, Dhobi Talao, Fanaswady, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao and Kumbharwada	63	46	62
D Khetwady, Girgaum, Chowpatty, Walkeshwar and Malabar Hill	14	25	30
E Mazagon, Tarwady, and Naupada, Kamathipura, Tardeo, Byculla, and Ma[illegible]pada	26	42	72
F Parel, Sewri and Sion	10	5	13
G Mahim and Worli	9	8	13
Water Division	0	0	0
Non-Resident and Unknown	3	0	0
Total	4	19	21
	195	172	257
Total plague deaths to date	233,145	219,899	
Same date last year	245	187	

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If "Love in a Cottage," like "Love in Idleness" (both by-the-way, produced at Terry's), is a mere pancake of a play, it is by no means unsatisfying. It is easy enough to say that Captain Basil Hood could have told his simple story quite comfortably in one act. There is not a play in existence that could not be treated in this way for it would be only a matter of making the act a miserably long one. But Captain Hood, instead of flopping his pancake at the heads of his patrons in one unsightly disc, very properly divides the tail and well-sugared batter into four negotiable pieces of kite shaped tenderness, and only an unusually greedy ogre could reasonably grumble at him for doing this. "Love in a Cottage" spreads somewhat thinly over four acts, perhaps. But it is extremely light fare and would suffer in being served up in this lump.

"Love in a Cottage" tells in a new way the old story of a "poor but honest" suitor being nobly championed in his love affair by the very man (rich and therefore eligible) who has been specially selected by a match making aunt as a husband for the girl in the case. Ulick O'Brian is a captain in the army, with only an army captain's pay; and Charlie Ponsonby is the noodle of the story, with the stage noodle's customary wealth. As soon as Charlie Ponsonby discovers that the sweet Lady Eileen, daughter of a poor Irish peer, is in love with Ulick, he does what theatrical audience always loves to see noodle do and what a dramatist always scores with when he makes his noodle do it—namely, he retires courageously from the competition, and does all in his power to clear the course of true love for his rival, since it is with this man alone that he beloved of his heart can be happy.

The "Johnnie" who is brave in love or in war is always a safe and sympathetic figure to present on the stage, and at Terry's, in the person of clever Mr. Vane Tempest, Charlie Ponsonby is almost as great a favourite with the audience as the hero himself, Captain Ulick O'Brian, played with much refreshing manliness by Mr. Frank Cooper. Lady Eileen is very daintily played by Miss Janet Alexander, and delightful simplicity and naturalness are brought into the part of Norah Creagh the sweetheart of O'Brian's soldier-servant, by Miss Dorothy Drake. Plays of delicacy and tenderness are not so plentiful nowadays that one can afford to slight them where they came and the success of "Love in a Cottage" a pancake play as it may be—would be a very gratifying victory in the bitterly opposed cause of dramatic wholesomeness.

It would seem that from merely "walking on" in Resurrection one can learn a lot. Miss Maud Cleveland, a bright and most engaging young lady from Ireland, picked up so much of the art of acting from her place in the crowd of "peasants, etc.," that Mr. Beerbohm Tree gave her Miss Miriam Clements's part of the jilted Princess in his touring company, and, further, expressed himself as being well pleased with the result of his experiment. The versatility of Miss Maud Cleveland is so pronounced, and her industry so irrepressible, that she is engaged by Captain Basil Hood to understudy no less than three parts—those of Lady Margaret and Norah Creagh in 'Love in a Cottage" (played at present by Miss Rosina Filippi and Miss Dorothy Drake respectively), and that of the Gipsy woman (Miss Irene Rooke's part) in the same author's 10 and Little Christina. One is tempted to ask this very promising young actress what she means doing in her spare time!

Mr. Israel Zangwill is a poet as well as a novelist, a dramatist, and an essayist. At any rate, we hear from Miss Eleanor Robson, who has made a great hit as the "slavey" in his play Merely Mary Ann, produced at the Garden Theatre, New York, that after the fall of the curtain on the opening night of the comedy, she received from the author the following rhymed story of her triumph:—

Back of curtain,
Girl uncertain;
Curtain rises,
She surprises.
Curtain falls;
Long recalls;
Curtain down,
Talk of town,

which reminds one of Mr Zangwill who produced and edited some years back—fifteen at the least—an excellent little comic weekly entitled "Ariel".

No apology is needed from me for speaking of the death of the late manager of the Alhambra outside the boundaries of "In A. P. in the Hall," for Mr. Douglas Cox belongs really to the story of the theatre. In the early sixties his connection with the Dramatic Author's Society brought him the post of assistant manager at the Globe, where Miss Jennie Lee was drawing the tears of the town with her famous impersonation of 'Jo,' and from that time until 1894 he was associated chiefly with purely theatrical enterprise. Under the late Edgar Bruce's management, Mr. Cox opened the aquarium (now the Imperial) Theatre; and to mention Mrs. Langtry's magnificent theatre in his presence was ever to bring a smile to his lips and a comparison between the old and new Imperial to his tongue. The old theatre, he said, was so thoughtlessly constructed that on the day following the opening he had to have removed and replaced four hundred and twenty seats. The architect had actually provided for these seats, which extended from the orchestra to the back of the pit, a perfectly level floor, the consequence being that most of the people in the stalls and pit caught only occasional and fitful glimpses of the players' heads.

The architectural genius had also been a little vague in his ideas of dressing-room accommodation, for he gave the actors one or two remotely-situated barns, each with one pendant gaslight hanging from the middle, so that he who went to the glass on the wall to make up found himself standing completely in his own light. Further than this, Mr. Cox said that rats got into the place in far numbers greater than the public, and that on one occasion several of the women in the company insisted upon dressing behind screens placed in the wings because these rats, attracted, possibly, by the appetising quality of the grease paints had been raiding the dark and comfortless rooms. In the theatre at the time there was a young lady who had just left the leisured classes for a stage career, and when the rats arrived it was not long before she left a stage career for the leisured classes. She told her friends that theatres were awful places behind the scenes; that they literally swarmed with rats; and she advised all the girls she knew never to go on the stage. Evidently, said Mr. Cox, the disillusioned enthusiast fancied all theatres were alike; and, as an earnest guardian of the stage's welfare, he always congratulated himself upon not having sought out the young lady and told her the rats didn't occupy the dressing-rooms of all playhouses.

With the exception, perhaps, of Mr. Charles Morton of the Palace, Mr. Douglas Cox was personally linked to more memories of the far-away past than any living manager. It astonished the stranger considerably to hear from the lips of Dug Cox, who before his terrible accident looked well-preserved fifty, of times that only men of eighty looked back to as a rule. Albert and alive in business, clear of eye quick in walk, youthful in his liking for smart attire, and athletic of figure Douglas Cox actually had the hard-hearted impertinence as his really younger, but much older-looking acquaintances called it to talk of having, as a chorister at St. Paul's Cathedral assisted at the burial of Turner, the famous painter; of having sung at the opening of the Great Exhibition of 1851; of having been called upon to attend (with voice) the funeral of the Duke of Wellington of having after three years of service in the office of a merchant, who seems to have been quite an early Dickensonian character, been invited to become the manager of Bell's Weekly Messenger, a paper which has been dead for so long that most men of the present generation have never heard of it. It goes without saying that such a man knowing the world as he did, and having the energy, discretion, and gentle firmness that he exercised, was invaluable to the interests of the Alhambra. Would that fates could have allowed his return to the work he has done so well and honourably, and with such unfailing and infectious cheerfulness.

It is one of the penalties of greatness I am told to be smoked on the back by people you do not suspect of existence and addressed by your Christian name. A very funny story is "about" of the affliction of Mr. Herbert Beerbohm Tree's greatness, and those who know his quiet and somewhat nervous manner of being sarcastic will no doubt, appreciate the situation the story depicts. Leaving the Carlton Hotel one evening for his adjoining theatre, he was considerably surprised to feel himself clapped on the shoulder by a young man he did not recollect ever having seen before, and greeted by the pushful stranger (possibly a chance acquaintance from the hotel) with "Hullo, Harry!" Turning a meek and retiring eye upon the clumsy disturber of his meditations Tree quietly remarked, "My name isn't Harry—it's Herbert. But 'you' may call me 'Bertie!'"

It seems that Miss Helen Mar and Mr. Rohan Clonsy were not the only popular entertainers on the Menominee when the gallant ship fought, and very nearly got the knock-out blow from, a terrible tidal wave. I learn by a letter from New York that among the passengers on this miraculously-preserved vessel were those two very clever and fascinating young ladies, the Misses Ada and Jessie McLeod, who are well known in Society as drawing-room and bazaar entertainers, on the lines adopted by the late Misses Savile Clarke. The daughters of a Colonel in the army, the Misses McLeod found no difficulty in obtaining engagements for exercising their musical and terpsichorean talent in the semi-private presence of the quality; but, alas they had not been famous in Mayfair for long when up came the passion for bridge and robbed the girls of their patronage. The necessity for American loomed large before their eyes and Lady Henry Somerset gave them several valuable introductions into the big houses of New York. It was by the greatest luck (presented as most good luck is by misfortune) that Miss Ada and Miss Jessie McLeod ever reached their homes to make use of Lady Somerset's kind services.

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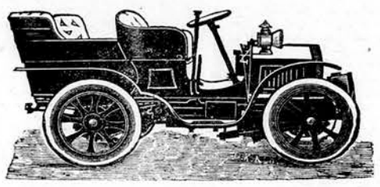

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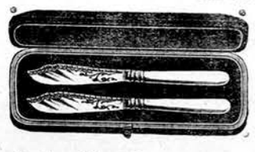

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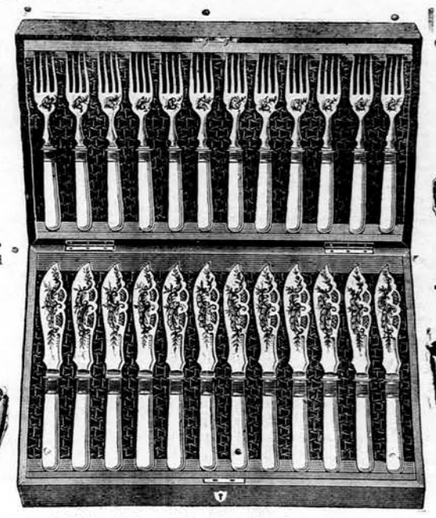

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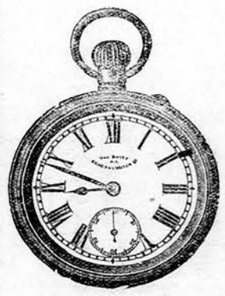

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